

The Bethel News.

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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 1905.

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Depends a great deal upon what you wear. If you have a good fitting Corset it will add much to your comfort and appearance. We have most any style you could wish. Several new models just in. Our leaders are Thompson's and C. B.

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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Miss Lyle Blanchard spent Sunday at her home in West Milan.

Mrs. A. H. Witham of Denmark has been visiting relatives in town.

Miss Alice Mason of Berlin is visiting her mother Mrs. O. M. Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Wheeler of Gilead visited relatives in town Saturday.

Frank King came down from Randolph, N. H., to spend Sunday at his home.

Mr. F. J. Tyler has completed his labors at Norway for the present and returned home.

Mr. Wesley Wheeler of West Derry, N. H., is spending a few days with relatives in town.

Mrs. A. M. Farwell returned to Roslindale, Mass., the first of the week where she will spend a few weeks.

Miss Averill and charge, Master Don Mason, son of L. L. Mason of Deering, are guests of Mrs. O. M. Mason.

Mr. Milton Penley, Mrs. Frank Flint and son Henry, and Miss Jeanette Brétt were in Norway shopping Monday.

Mr. Robert Bisbee who has been employed in Geneva, N. Y., for several weeks, returned home Monday afternoon.

Arthur Richardson who has been in town for the past two weeks, returned to his work at Randolph, N. H., Monday.

Mrs. Marion Dudley returned Tuesday afternoon from Worcester, Mass., where she has spent several weeks with relatives.

Mr. George Merrow, as chaffeur, brought up a party from Portland to dine in our village Sunday. Merrow is an auto enthusiast.

Mrs. S. I. French went to Augusta Saturday to attend the marriage of her son, Geo. H. French, which took place in that city Tuesday, at noon.

One of the most enjoyable events of the Academy year was the May basket Social held in the Gym last evening. Mrs. O. M. Mason and Mrs. F. E. Barton were patronesses.

Rev. Chas. F. Parsons of Portland, the new presiding elder of Lewiston district, will preach and hold quarterly conference to-night at the M. E. vestry. All are invited, especially the officials of the church.

Mr. Edwin LaForest Harvey who is to deliver the closing address at Bowdoin College, Class Day, has received the additional honor of appointment as one of the six commencement speakers.

On Sunday, May 14, at the home of Rev. W. B. Eldridge in Chebeague, his youngest daughter, Miss Gertrude, was united in marriage with Mr. Howard Pinkham of South Harpswell, where they will reside.

Miss Lillian Grover of Brockton, Mass., formerly of Bethel, who so miraculously escaped death at the time of the R. B. Grover shoeshop disaster, started yesterday, for Lake City, Minn., where she will make an extended stay with relatives.

Miss L. C. Hall who has announced last week has sold her entire stock of goods to Mr. Edward King of Bethel, will at once open a studio at her home on Main street. Being released from her cares in the store, she will have more time for china decorating, and other work along that line. She will also continue to take orders for cut flowers, and would call the attention of the public at the present time to flowers for Memorial Day, such as, roses, pinks, tulips, spirea, stalks, narcissus, sweet peas, etc. She desires to express her thanks to all of her many past patrons, and earnestly solicits a continuation of their patronage, assuring all that no effort will be spared to please and satisfy.

Miss Jane Gibson went to Auburn Tuesday.

H. M. Lombard of Upton was in town, Monday.

Mr. Eli Stearns and Will Gill were in Andover, Tuesday.

Mr. Westerfield of New York is a guest at Mr. Eli Stearns'.

Mrs. F. E. Barton and son have returned from Brownfield.

Mr. A. B. Richardson is visiting his son Alton at Oroho this week.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. F. B. Tuell Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. U. Bartlett have moved into the Gerrish house above Skillings' village.

Miss Lois Lowe is staying at the home of Mr. E. C. Vandenkerckhoven and attending school.

Mrs. Cyrene Bean of South Paris, who has been visiting friends in town, returned home Monday.

Mrs. Gillespie of Manchester, N. H., has been here soliciting funds for the Rescue Home in Auburn.

Mr. Will Hall has sold his interest in his Ketchum property to his partner, Mr. Owen Demeritt, and moved back to Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Elliott of Rumford Point and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dyer of Hanover, called upon friends in town, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Demeritt of Ketchum were in town last week, called here by the illness of Mrs. Demeritt's brother, Mr. F. W. Barker.

It is desired that all members of the Festival Chorus make an effort to be present at the rehearsal this evening as special music is to be taken up.

The item in the News last week stating the death of Henry Wight of West Bethel should have read Henry Wight of Gilead. We are asked to make this correction and gladly do so.

There will be a special meeting of Brown Relief Corps at Pattee Hall Friday afternoon for the purpose of initiation and making wreaths for Memorial Sunday. All members will please be present.

What bade fair to be a serious conflagration was discovered in the lumber yard of I. S. Morrill about 11 o'clock Sunday night. Very little damage was done, however, but it serves as a warning to those careless of the use of matches, cigarettes and cigar stubs.

Mr. Edward King, who as reported last week, has purchased the stock of Miss Laura Hall, has leased the store in the Cole Block formerly occupied by Miss Burnham and Miss Hall, and will remove his entire business into that store. We are glad to note the increased enterprise on the part of Mr. King, and predict for him a good patronage and successful future in his enlarged business.

Forty seven Odd Fellows came up from West Paris Saturday evening and worked the second and third degrees in Mt. Abram lodge rooms. The work was very good, that in the second degree being especially fine. The visit was much enjoyed by the members of Mt. Abram Lodge who hope their hospitality was such that the visitors may be induced to accept of it again.

The many friends of Rev. F. C. Potter will learn with regret that owing to continued illness he has been obliged to give up his pastorate at Bethel. Mr. Potter has not been well for several months, and sees the need of a long rest which he will take. We sincerely hope and trust for a rapid improvement, and that he will soon be able to resume his church work. Since Mr. Potter came to Bethel he has made many warm and ardent friends who are exceedingly pained to know that he is obliged to give up his preaching for a time. It is his intention to remove to Kezar Falls, where he will remain for the next few months at least.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning even words to the line.

I saw it among the Business Pointers.

Miss Hall will take orders for the following plants: Geraniums, Pinks, Cannas, Heliotropes, Feverfews, Castor Beans, Petunias, &c., \$1.50 per doz. Verbenas, Asters, Zinnias, Phlox, Pansies, Daisies, &c., 25c per doz.

OBITUARY.

FRANK WESLEY BARKER.

Mr. Frank Wesley Barker died of pneumonia, Sunday morning, May 21. He was the son of Nathaniel L. and Lucy E. (Coburn) Barker of Albany, and was thirty-nine years of age.

Mr. Barker received his education in the schools of Albany and Bethel and first engaged in farming, but in 1888 obtained a position on the Grand Trunk railroad, and for many years has been baggage master, and has been recognized by the officials and the traveling public as a most accommodating employee.

May 21, 1889, he married Miss Cora M. Demeritt who lived but a few years, and died leaving a little son but three weeks old. Mr. Barker's mother and sister cared for the home until Oct. 16, 1898, when he married Miss Lottie L. Barker who survives him with two children, Berthella M. and Frank Wesley, Jr.

He was a devoted husband and father and has worked diligently to build his new house and counted no sacrifice too great to add to home comforts. About a year ago much of his hard labor was swept away by fire, but he had one compensation, the appreciation of his past efforts and sympathy of neighbors were manifest and when many young men would have faltered from discouragement, he with courage and energy rebuilt, and just as the future of more ease seemed assured, he became a victim to the dread disease. In the eighteen years of labor for the Grand Trunk railroad he had taken no vacation, and allowed no personal interests to detract from the duty he owed his employers, and the "well done" is expressed by neighbors and friends and all who knew his worth.

Much sympathy is expressed for his family and the brother, Mr. John M. Barker of Rumford Falls, and the sister, Mrs. Charles O. Demeritt of Ketchum, who have been called to mourn again so soon after the death of the mother and sister.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church, Tuesday afternoon, Rev. F. C. Potter officiating at the request of the deceased when he felt the battle of life was unequal to his strength. Mr. Barker was a member of the Methodist church and lived a life of strict honesty and integrity.

The many flowers donated by sympathizing friends and relatives spoke more eloquently than could words of the appreciation of this noble, quiet toiler, the expression of which we humans are too prone to withhold until the opportunity to encourage and assist by such expression is lost.

MRS. HATTIE STEARNS RICHARDSON.

The news of the death of Mrs. Newton E. Richardson which occurred last Thursday morning, although not unexpected, cast a gloom over her wide circle of friends and acquaintances. For over a week her condition had been known as a serious one, but everything that medical skill and love could do was being done, and all had hoped to hear favorable reports from the sick room.

Mrs. Richardson, the daughter of the late S. F. and Hannah E. Stearns, was born in Newry, July 25, 1859. When she was yet young her parents moved to Bethel and later to Norway where she resided until 1878 when she married Newton E. Richardson of Bethel where she has since lived. During the time she has

lived in Bethel she has made a large number of friends and proved herself to be a devoted wife and a tender and loving mother to the two children which blessed her marriage.

Not alone within her own home was her worth known, but where duty called there she was with a large heart to do whatever her hands found to do. Of a loving, patient and conscientious disposition she endeared herself to all who labored with her.

To the husband, son and daughter who survive her as well as to the mother lately bereft of her husband, the community extend the deepest sympathy.

Beside her own family consisting of husband, son Arthur and daughter Ethel, Mrs. Richardson leaves a mother who resides in Norway, a sister, Mrs. Geo. P. Locke of Norway, and two half-sisters, Mrs. R. L. Wescott of Portland, and Miss Georgia Stearns.

Funeral services were held at her late home on Church street Saturday at one p. m., Rev. B. S. Rideout officiating, owing to the absence of her pastor, Rev. C. N. Gleason. A profusion of flowers showed in a measure, the sympathy extended to the bereaved ones.

"She has solved it, Life's wonderful problem, The deepest, the strangest, the last, And into the school of the angels With the answer, forever has passed. God knew all about those who loved her, How bitter the trial must be, And right through it all God is loving, and knows so much better than we."

Memorial Day Service.
Sunday, May 28, will be observed as Memorial Sunday. The Post will attend the First Congregational church at 10:30 a. m., by invitation of the pastor, Rev. C. N. Gleason.

Memorial Day, May 30, services will be held at West Bethel at 10 a. m., East Bethel 10 a. m., and Woodlawn cemetery at 2:30 p. m.

Comrades will meet at 10 a. m., Sunday, May 28, at G. A. R. Hall on Spring street.

Teams will leave G. A. R. Hall Tuesday, May 30, at 7:30 a. m. Comrades will assemble at G. A. R. Hall at 1:45 p. m., to go to Woodlawn cemetery.

Memorial oration at Congregational church at 7:45 p. m. Comrade Edward Wiggan of Augusta, speaker. It is hoped that all old soldiers will unite as well as all the citizens, in a proper observance of the day.

By order,
LEVI W. BARTLETT,
A. M. TRUE,
Post Adj't.

Notice to Dog Owners.
All persons who are owning or keeping dogs which have not been duly licensed should attend to the licensing according to law at once. All dogs not licensed and collared by June 1, are liable to be killed according to law.

Per order,
H. A. PACKARD,
Constable.

REMOVAL.

The many customers of Miss Hall who have urged me to continue her business instead of closing out the larger part of her stock, as I originally intended, have caused me to decide to move my stock into the store recently occupied by her, where I shall combine the stocks and carry a larger and more varied assortment than my present limited space will permit. As soon as carpenters and painters can make some necessary changes and renovate the store, I shall move and trust to meet all my old customers and many new ones in my new location. In the meanwhile any of the goods may be had by calling at my old store in Cross building.

Edward King,

JEWELER AND OPTICIAN,

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IF YOU DO MUCH WRITING

You will surely find it pays to get a GOOD FOUNTAIN PEN. It is the most convenient writing instrument ever invented, to say nothing of its superiority over ordinary pens in point of neatness. I have a first rate line of the celebrated Parker Lucky Curve Fountain Pens which I am selling at very reasonable prices. I have also an extensive and choice assortment of Simmons' Watch Chains, that I would like you to see. These chains which are in both men's and women's styles are the most strongly guaranteed goods I handle.

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A Coil of Hose with Attachments, And some other articles.

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Time Table in Effect May 14, 1905.

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave...	4.00	8.30
Gorham,	4.00	8.30
Lewiston,	4.25	8.40
South Paris,	4.38	8.50
BETHEL, arrive...	4.46	9.00
Locke Mills,	4.57	9.10
Bryant Pond,	5.05	9.18
South Paris,	5.36	9.44
Lewiston,	5.58	10.45
Portland, arrive...	7.30	11.30
Boston, via rail, ..	12.45	4.10
Boston, via boat, ..	12.45	4.10

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave...	8.15	1.30
Lewiston,	9.00	2.25
South Paris,	10.07	3.22
Bryant Pond,	10.34	3.48
Locke Mills,	10.41	4.12
BETHEL, arrive...	10.50	4.25
West Bethel,	10.57	4.35
Gilead,	11.07	4.51
Gorham,	11.30	5.40
Island Pond,	1.30	7.50
Montreal,	6.50	7.00
Toronto,	7.15	4.50
Chicago,	8.45	7.20

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BEAT CONDUCTOR'S GAME.

Company is in Two Fares, but the Passenger Didn't Mind.

It takes a pretty slick man to beat a street car conductor in this town, but a mild-looking gentleman did it on his way uptown a few nights ago much to the amusement of his fellow passengers.

It cost the old gentleman 10 cents to accomplish his purpose, but he, and everyone else who saw the transaction, agreed that it was worth the money.

The apparently peaceful one was reading his newspaper contentedly when the conductor stopped in front of him and yelled, "Fare, please."

The old gentleman drew from his pocket a handful of coins, which turned out to consist of about 20 coppers and a quarter. Without deliberating a moment he handed the quarter to the conductor and the latter offered a dime and ten one-cent pieces in change.

The old gentleman took the dime, but balked at the coppers. "See here," he remonstrated. "I've got a bunch of that sort of chicken feed in my pockets now that I might have given you, but I went out of my way not to. Won't you please give me a dime or nickels instead of those cents?"

"Naw," growled the conductor, still offering the rejected change. "Take 'em or leave 'em."

"Do you think that's very decent?" asked the passenger.

"Take 'em or leave 'em," persisted the conductor.

The old gentleman didn't make a move to take his money and the conductor stood first on one foot and then on the other for a minute or two. Then he went back to the platform carrying the rejected coins with him.

"Aren't you going to give me nickels?" asked the passenger every time the conductor came down the aisle.

"Naw!" replied the haughty one with great regularity, and the passengers wondered if the old man was going to make the conductor a present of those small coins rather than burden his pockets with them.

He didn't.

When he reached his destination and the car had stopped for him to alight, he made one last plea.

"Naw," said the conductor.

"All right," replied his stubborn passenger; "turn 'em in to the company then."

And before he alighted he grabbed the register and rang up two fares. Then he smiled because the conductor swore.—New York Sun.

A Cheerful Asker.



"Spare a copper for a poor man who has only one arm left!"
"I can see your other arm."
"Yes, but that's my right."—Scraps.

One as Saving as the Other.

A naval officer, recently returned from the isthmus of Panama, tells the following story concerning the wealthiest man on the isthmus:

"Senior M—is known all over the isthmus as the stingiest man who ever lived. He will have no lights in his house except candles, and the lone candle in his sitting room is not burned at night when he is talking to visitors and is not compelled to have a light."

"The old man has a nephew who makes the money fly. A short time ago he called on his uncle at night. While they were talking the old man blew out his candle."

"What did you do that for?" the youngster asked.

"Why, we don't need the light while we are talking," the uncle replied.

"While the uncle was talking earnestly the boy began to shuffle about in the dark. Much annoyed by the interruption, the old man said, 'What are you doing?'"

"Only just taking off my trousers," the boy replied. "I don't need them in the dark and want to keep from wearing them out."—New York Tribune.

It Was Almost Too Late.

Dr. Anita Newcomb McGee, who took a party of ten Red Cross nurses to Japan, was talking in Philadelphia about the perils of war nursing.

"I wish heartily," said Dr. McGee "that soldiers could shoot no better than my cousin."

She paused, smiled and resumed; "My cousin went gunning last fall for the first time. He bagged nothing; every shot missed. But he was ashamed to go home empty handed, and therefore he stopped at a grocer's and bought a rabbit."

"Good luck!" he cried to his wife on his return. "Look at the rabbit. See where the bullet went through him."

"My cousin's wife took hold of the rabbit, and at the same time she snuffed, grimaced and turned away her head."

"You were wise, my dear," she said, "to shoot this rabbit to-day. To-morrow would have been too late."

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An Albany Gem.

A recent story in the Boston Journal regarding the sale of a handsome stone in Chicago to a representative of the German government for \$30,000, causes Wesley Wight, our well-known townsman, to tell the following story:

About twenty years ago, he says some one from Bethel told him about a party walking along the road in the town of Albany, Maine. One of them noticed a peculiar looking stone, picked it up and carried it home with him.

Later he showed the stone to a Bethel jeweler, who, while he said he knew nothing of its value, offered the party a small sum for it, which was promptly accepted. The jeweler as Mr. Wight remembers the story, sent the stone to Tiffany & Co. of New York. They claimed to be unable to identify it, and were uncertain as to its value, if it had any, but offered a nominal sum for it (considerably more than the Bethel jeweler paid) which was accepted.

Tiffany & Co. cut and polished the stone and placed it on exhibition with thousands of valuable gems. Some time later a party of Chicago jewelers inspected the Tiffany establishment, and one of them was much taken with the stone from Maine and finally purchased it and took it to Chicago, where it became a part of an exhibit of valuable stones.

A German prince, on a tour of the United States, on his visit to Chicago, is said to have seen the stone, and being much taken with it expressed the wish that it might not be sold till he returned home and sent over an expert to give his opinion, and if he thought sufficiently well of it, to purchase it.

As the story goes, in the course of a few weeks the German expert in valuable stones arrived, looked at the gem and purchased it, paying therefor the sum of \$30,000.

The Journal gives the place of origin of the stone as Stoneham, Maine, and says it is the most valuable gem ever found in America. Mr. Wight is of the opinion that if the story is true at all, the Albany stone is the one referred to in the article.

It is a well-known fact that many really valuable stones have been found in Oxford county, Maine. Benjamin F. Osgood, now at the Crawford House, has known a great deal about them, and could probably discourse interestingly of many he has seen.—Mountaineer.

An Open Letter.

From the Chapin, S. C., News: Early in the spring my wife and I were taken with diarrhoea and so severe were the pains that we called a physician who prescribed for us but his medicines failed to give any relief. A friend who had a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy on hand gave each of us a dose and we at once felt the effects. I procured a bottle and before using the entire contents we were entirely cured. It is a wonderful remedy and should be found in every household. H. G. Bailey, Editor.

This remedy is for sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel; E. L. Tebbetts, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead.

Sarcastic Guest—You call this an omelet, do you? Would it have been any different if I had ordered scrambled eggs?

Waiter Girl—Yes, sir; there would have been a difference of ten cents in the check.



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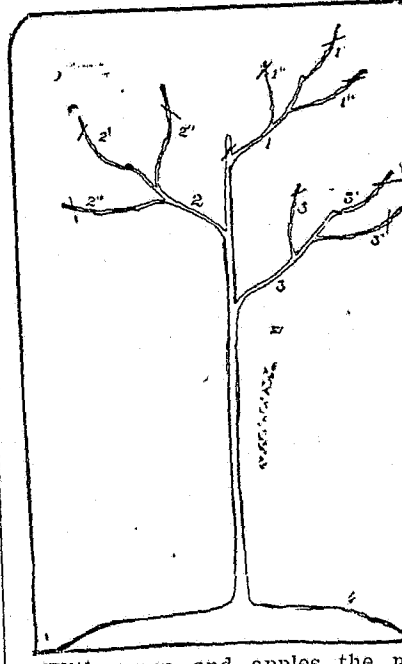
To Prevent Loss From Frost Three Plantings Are Made.

After the land has been thoroughly prepared, plow out furrows about 3 in. deep and $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 ft. apart, going twice in the same row in order to broaden out the trench. The trench is then about half filled with compost or stable manure, and thoroughly mixed with the soil by cultivating up and down the row 4 times or more. In order to prevent loss from frost or insects and to insure a stand, at least 3 separate plantings are made beside each other about a week apart. If the first planting is killed by frost, the second one may come up; whereas, if the second planting were delayed until after the frost appeared, there would be a loss in earliness of 10 days or more.

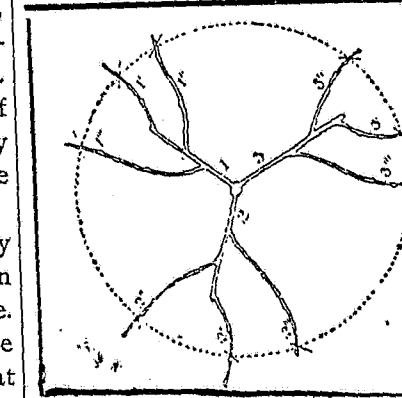
In harvesting the melons the first half of the season they are picked as soon as the stem can be forced with the thumb to part from the fruit without breaking off a piece of the melon with it. This condition should occur before the cantaloupe begins to turn yellow. A cantaloupe in this condition is considered just right to ship, but the day following would be quite yellow and unfit for transportation. After the season in one-half or two-thirds gone and the weather is very hot, as is usually the case, it is safe to cut them off with stems after they are full grown and have become densely netted. If no cantaloupes are picked on Sunday, many melons are overripe on Monday, and these are the ones that are saved for seed. It is important that the melons be stored in the refrigerator car as soon after picking as possible.—W. F. Allen.

Pruning and Growth of Trees.

During the early years of the life of both ornamental and fruit trees a vigorous use of the pruning knife is frequently necessary. Trees normally make much longer natural growth during the first ten years of their existence than later.



With pears and apples the main body branches left at planting time should not be more than 8 inches long. At the close of the first season, when pruning time arrives, the growth of that year should again be shortened to at least 1 foot and each of the main body branches should be allowed to carry not to exceed three subdi-



visions, each of which should be 8 inches long. The third year the same operation should be repeated and instead of allowing each subdivision to carry three branches the number should be reduced to two. The arrangement of these branches should in all cases be based upon the same principle as the arrangement of the branches on the main body of the tree.

Cultivating Chestnut Trees.

Contrary to the general belief that chestnuts will not grow on limestone land, the author states that Japanese chestnuts are successful wherever corn can be grown. The Japanese variety is advised for market purposes. The trees should be set about 25 feet apart, and when 7 or 8 years of age should produce about a bushel of nuts per tree. The trees should be planted on ground that can be cultivated in order to better control insect pests.—J. W. Kerr.

Growing Damson Plums.

Those who contemplate growing Damson plums can do so with no fear of the business soon being overdone. There are but few trees in this country of any note. The trees require close attention, making it almost impossible for one grower to have many acres, as is often the case with apples or peaches. The Damson plum offers to fruit growers who will pay close attention to their trees much better chance to realize a good income than from many other fruits.



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Edmund—Yes; pa licks us boys with a strap.—Chicago News.

A Scotch Courtship.

He and his lass had been sitting together about half an hour in silence, when he spoke, and the following dialogue took place:

"Maggie," he said, "wasna I here on Sawbath night?"

"Aye, Jock, I daur say ye were."

"An' I was here on Monday night?"

"Aye, so ye were."

"An' I was here on Tuesday night?"

"Aye, ye did happen on Tuesday night?"

"An' I was here on Wednesday night?"

"Aye, so ye were, Jock, so ye were."

"An' I was here on Thursday night?"

"Til no deny that ye were, Jock."

"An' I was here on Friday night?"

"Aye I'm thinking that's so."

"An' this is Saturday night, an' I'm here again!"

"Weel, what for no? I'm sure ye're very welcome!"

"Maggie (desperately), Maggie, woman! D'ye no begin to smell a rat?"

—Baltimore Sun.

Whooping Cough.

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The Capital Fire Insurance Co.,

CONCORD, N. H.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1904:

Real estate,	\$ 105,200 00
Mortgage Loans,	112,991 15
Collateral Loans,	1,700 00
Stocks and bonds,	24,155 42
Cash in office and bank,	59,171 04
Agents' balances,	3,252 50
Interest and rents,	544,397 51
Gross Assets,	\$ 544,397 51
Admitted Assets	\$ 544,397 51
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1904:	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 27,553 58
Unearned Premiums,	216,877 49
All other Liabilities,	23,525 51
Cash Capital,	200,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities,	75,440 93

51 Total liabilities and surplus, \$ 544,397 51

GEO. E. HOWARD, Special Agent,
Dover, Me.

NOTICE.

The subscribers hereby give notice that they have been duly appointed executors of the last will and testament of

ALICE GORDON WRIGHT, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

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She exclaimed in surprise.
"Why the other men always want two."

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Syrup helps men and women to a
happy, vigorous old age.

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how much I owe you?"

"Thirteen dollars and twenty-five
cents."

"That's the exact sum, eh? Thank
you."

"Well—why did you want to
know?"

"I thought perhaps you'd forgot-
ten it; that's all."

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have Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil on
hand for the emergency.

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what "etc." meant. "It is a sign
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office window and the larger of the
two was handed a long square box
by the clerk on which was a label
reading "Tapering Waist Effect."
"Let's see it," said the smaller
urchin, as he made a grab for the
box. "Nit," said the other, "you
don't get a look in on this, its mam-
ma's and she don't want anyone to
know she's got it."

Cleanse your system of all im-
purities this month. Now is the
time to take Hollister's Rocky
Mountain Tea. It will keep you
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the benevolent Atlanta man to the
wooden-legged mendicant, "that
your leg was lost in the Civil war.
Now, I'm sure you were too young
to enlist at that time."

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Oxford County 100 Years Old.

Oxford County was incorporated
March 4, 1805, as the County of Ox-
ford in the Commonwealth of Massa-
chusetts, with Paris as shire town.
It did not become Oxford County,
Maine, until fifteen years later when
Maine became a State. The terri-
tory erected into Oxford County
was formerly the northern part of
York and Cumberland Counties. It
included the two towns of Turner
and Livermore, which were taken off
when Androscoggin County was
formed in 1854, and a large part of
Franklin County which was incor-
porated in 1838. The first county
road located in the new county was
one from Paris to Weld Pond.

Officially the record of the county
begins with the first term of the
Court of Sessions which met at Paris
June 11, 1805. This Court of Ses-
sions was the body which at that
time had general charge of the coun-
ty business, as the Court of County
Commissioners does now. It may
be of some interest to glance at the
doings of this court during its first
year, and note some things regard-
ing the beginnings of our history.

There are recorded as present at
the June term of the court "the Hon-
ourable:"

Simon Frye, Caleb Prentiss
Luther Cary, Job Eastman
Samuel Parris, Ichabod Bonney
Daniel Stowell, Isaac Livermore
John Greenwood, William Livermore
Nath. Perley, Francis Keyes
Judah Dana, Moses Ames
Timothy Osgood, Joseph Howard
Eli Twitcheil, Ezekiel Merrill
Uriah Holt, Daniel Howard

Edward Richardson.
Cyrus Hamlin was chosen clerk of
the court, and held the office for a
number of years.

Moses Ames, William Livermore,
Ichabod Bonney, Francis Keyes and
Timothy Osgood were chosen a com-
mittee "to examine the different
situations in the town of Paris to set
the county buildings on." Subse-
quently Moses Ames and Timothy
Osgood were dismissed from this
committee and Uriah Holt and John
Thompson were appointed in their
places. By what means John
Thompson was not recorded as
present, became a member of the
court the record fails to state.

This committee was chosen on the
12th of June, and offered its report on
the 15th of the same month, but accept-
ance of the report was postponed to
the second Tuesday of August, to
which time the court adjourned.

At the August term the committee
reported that "in their opinion the
most eligible situation to set said
buildings, is on Jackson's Hill (so
called) in Paris aforesaid." The re-
port was accepted, and a committee
chosen to lay out the land, and an-
other "to make a Plan of the Gaol
House and prison," to estimate the
expense and receive proposals for
building.

At the October term the same
year David Learned was appointed
agent to remonstrate to the General
Court against the petition of Frye-
burg, Poterfield, Brownfield and
Lovell who had petitioned that Frye-
burg might be made a half shire
town. This Fryeburg matter seems
to have been somewhat persistent,
as an occasional reference to it in

the form of a postponement appears,
and in 1814 Albion K. Parris was
appointed agent to oppose another
similar petition before the Legisla-
ture.

The deed from Jesse Cummings of
the land on Paris Hill so long occu-
pied by the county buildings was ac-
cepted and recorded at the October
term, 1805.

At the same term the "estimation"
for county tax of 1805 was made up,
and amounted to \$1,060 for current
expenses from which was deducted
\$100 for licences and duties on
deeds, and to which was added
\$1000 towards erecting a "Gaol,"
making a total tax of \$1,960. The
present tax is \$30,000.

No provision was made for a court
house or county offices for several
years. The old Baptist meeting
house on Paris Hill evidently served
for the courts, and the officers ap-
parently provided themselves with
offices. The one immediate need
of the county was a "gaol." The
committee on this reported at the
October term submitting plans for a
building constructed of hewed
timber twelve inches square and oak
plank, 20x36 feet, two stories high,
with three rooms on each floor; also
a gaol house of the same outside di-
mensions; the total estimated cost
being \$2000.

The report was accepted and the
necessary prison was evidently built.
It appears not to have been entirely
satisfactory, as at the term the fol-
lowing September it was voted to ac-
cept until the next term, and a
similar vote was passed at several
later terms. About fifteen years
later the stone jail was built which
was used for over seventy years, and
has been converted into the Hamlin
Memorial Library.

This article is not a history of
jails, but is simply designed to call
attention to the centennial, and note
the small beginnings of our existence
as a county. A history of the coun-
ty for the century would be that of the
nursery of many distinguished men,
and the home of a comfortable, in-
telligent and progressive people.—
Democrat.

Saved by Dynamite.

Sometimes, a flaming city is saved
by dynamiting a space that the fire
can't cross. Sometimes a cough
hangs on so long, you feel as if noth-
ing but dynamite would cure it. Z.
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Colds, which eased her cough, gave
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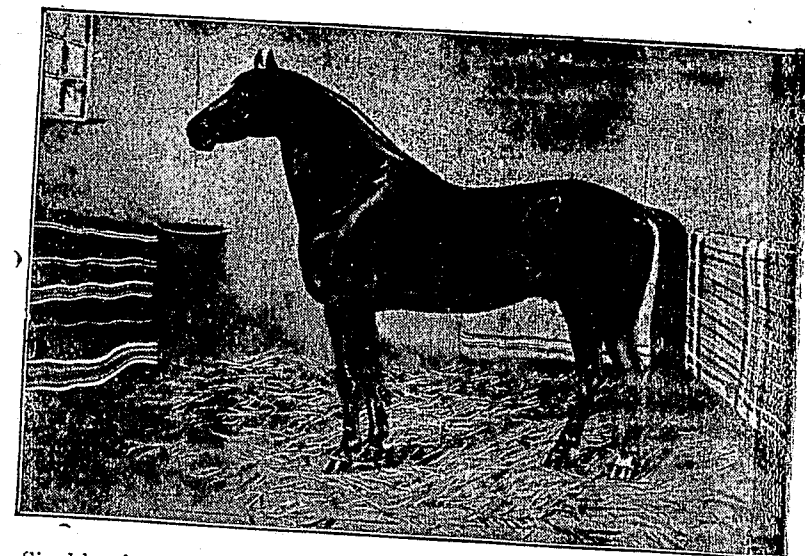
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trotters and 12 pacers from 2.07 1/4 to 2.30. Own brother to William L., sire of Axtell
(3) 2.12, etc. Dam, Sable, dam of Sable Wilkes 2.18 at 3 years, to high wheels, (a world's
record when made) and sire of the first yearling to trot in 2.30, and is sire of 10 Wilkes
(4) 2.11, Navidad 2.11 1/4, and 37 other trotters and 10 pacers in 2.30 list. Sable, the dam
of El Sable, is dam of 4 in the list, all own brothers and sisters to El Sable; of them are
stallions and sires of 2.30 trotters. She is also the dam of Sable Hayward, dam of Re-
pee 2.11, and Siva 2.13 1/4, both by Guy Wilkes 2.15 1/4. Sable was by The Moor, sire of
the champion brood mare of the world, Beautiful Bells, dam of 11 in the 2.30 list.
Gretchen, the 2nd dam of El Sable, is the dam of 3 in the list, and was by Mambré
no Pilot, sire of the dams of 20 in the list.

In breeding to El Sable you take no chances and are not "putting your eggs all in
one basket," as his colts are large, handsome, nice galloped, nice limbed, and tractable, and
for such there is always a ready market; while together with these qualities he has as
good right to sire speed as any horse in Maine with the same opportunities. His colts
win prizes wherever shown. We have one by him, 2 years old this spring, that stands
over 15 hands and weighs 900, and is very handsome and a great knee actor. He was
the best yearling colt in Maine in 1901, and could trot a 2.50 gal. Call and see him.

This grandly bred stallion will stand for service, season 1905, at the stable of

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 1905.

In Memoriam.

Barker Stickney Burbank was the youngest of ten children of Deacon Eliphalet and Betsey (Lary) Burbank, and was born on the Henry Ingalls farm in Shelburne, N. H., June 29, 1830. His father afterward removed to what is known as the Jackson Burbank place in Gilead, and at a time that almost permits us to regard the subject of our brief notice as a native of our own community. Mr. Burbank attained to more than three score and ten years of age, having passed away Feb. 26, 1905.

He was three times married; his first wife being Miss Frances Barker of Newry, who survived her wedding day only two or three months. His second marriage was to Miss Elsie H. Lary of this town, a most happy union, and extended over a period of forty years in its duration; while his last years were spent in a pleasant home life, by his marriage to Miss Ann Rowe of Hanover, to whom has come that sad event, which though foreseen as probably not far distant, was much nearer than was anticipated.

Mr. Burbank was one of our most highly esteemed citizens. He may not have been as prominent as some as an official in the affairs of the town; but his influence was cast, for the welfare of the community. He had his own convictions as to what was duty, and a will not easily turned aside from the decisions of his mind. He may have seemed what some term "set," but we think in no such sense as to cling to an opinion, that evidence showed to be clearly erroneous. He believed in total abstinence from intoxicating liquors, and conformed to that belief in practice.

As to church policy he was a firm believer in Congregationalism, but was not a member of the church until late in life. During the ministry of B. S. Mabon to our people, the Saviour's claim upon him and his glad acceptance of Christ as his Lord and Master were publicly manifested by his uniting with the Congregational church, April 5, 1891. He was also a member of Mountain View Grange in this place, and interested helper in that organization. He held the position of parish clerk for some time, and was scribe of the church at the time of his death. Many will remember him as a long time leader in the service of sacred song. Mr. Burbank for some time was quite infirm, although his last illness was only about a week in duration.

The brief funeral service consisted of Scripture selections, remarks and prayer; immediately following the service on the afternoon of Feb. 28 the familiar form was laid at rest in the little cemetery, near to the loved spot which was the home of his childhood.

HENRY FARRAR.

A Creeping Death.

Blood poison creeps up towards the heart causing death. J. E. Stearns, Belle Plaine, Minn., writes that a friend dreadfully injured his hand, which swelled up like blood poisoning. Bucklen's Arnica Salve drew out the poison, healed the wound, and saved his life. Best in the world for burns and sores. 25 cents at all druggists.

Here is Relief for Women.

Mother Gray, a nurse in New York, discovered an aromatic pleasant pink for women's ailments, called AUSTRALIAN-LEAF. It is the only certain monthly regulator. Cures female weakness and headache, kidney, bladder and urinary troubles. At all druggists or by mail, 50c. Sample FREE. Address: The Mother Gray Co., Le Roy, N. Y.

GILEAD.

Earl Jordan visited in Auburn, Sunday.

Miss Mildred Bennett was home from Portland over Sunday.

Mrs. B. E. Harriman and Mrs. Josephine Wheeler visited friends in Norway, last week.

The Mountain Rills met with Mrs. S. L. Morse, last Thursday. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Ezra Carter.

On Monday of last week, Deacon Henry Wight passed away at the age of sixty-five years. Funeral services were held Wednesday at his late residence, conducted by Rev. Henry Farrar; interment in the Wight cemetery.

Mr. Thomas Wight of Gorham, N. H., was in town, setting Miss Nellie Howe's tombstones in the Lary cemetery, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson went to Bethel, Saturday to attend the funeral of his cousin's wife, Mrs. Newton Richardson.

The Misses Murphy go home next Saturday to spend Memorial Day.

Miss Florence Richardson and brother Master Carl Richardson spent Saturday at Cloverdale Farm. Hon. John Philbrook and his sister, Miss Fanny Philbrook, Prof. W. S. Wight and sister, Mrs. Susan Chapman, Mrs. Mina Harriman, Mrs. Dora Finley of Portland, and Mr. and Mrs. Laban Watson of Randolph, N. H., attended the funeral of Deacon Henry Wight, last Wednesday.

A Splendid Chance.

Everybody who is weak, delicate or sickly wants to get well. Dr. Greene of 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., makes a specialty of treating patients through letter correspondence. The wisest thing all suffering people can do is to write the Doctor, stating just how they feel, mentioning every symptom of which they complain, and he will answer the letter explaining each symptom and describing the case so thoroughly that patients understand their complaint as well as though they had talked with the Doctor. He makes his explanations so clear that they cannot help but understand just what ails them, and he tells exactly what to do to get well. It saves a journey to the city and doctor's fees, and costs nothing. Dr. Greene is the most successful specialist in curing nervous and chronic diseases. He is the discoverer of that wonderful medicine, Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. Thousands are being cured through his perfect system of letter correspondence. It has been proved successful.

HANOVER.

H. A. Staples and A. G. Howe attended the meeting of the Grand Lodge, K. of P., at Portland, last week.

Fred Fletcher has returned from a short fishing trip at Rangeley Lakes. E. E. Howe who accompanied him, will remain a few days longer.

Lawrence Searles has finished working for Smith Bros. and has gone to Upton, where he has employment in a mill.

Mrs. Emily Frost is visiting friends and relatives in Milan, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Richardson of Dorchester, Mass., arrived Tuesday, and have opened their cottage, "The Ferns," for the summer.

Mr. Frank Johnson of Dorchester, Mass., is spending a few days at "The Ferns."

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Cummings of Norway, spent Friday and Saturday of last week with Mrs. J. B. Roberts.

J. Gardner Roberts and G. C. Barker went to Andover, Monday, to do some repairing at the H. V. Poor house and also some work for Y. A. Thurston.

"Do you ever have your own way?" asked the cynical near relative.

"Yes," answered Mr. Meekton. "Sometimes I have my own way, but not without consulting Heir-etta very carefully before making up my mind."

DeWitt's Pink Salvo
For Pale, Burnt, Sore.

Ayer's

When the nerves are weak everything goes wrong. You are tired all the time, easily discouraged, nervous, and irritable. Your cheeks are

Sarsaparilla

pale and your blood is thin. Your doctor says you are threatened with a nervous breakdown. He orders this grand old family medicine.

"For more than 30 years I have used Ayer's Sarsaparilla in my family. It is a grand tonic at all times, and a wonderful medicine for impure blood."—D. C. Holt, West Haven, Conn.

Keep the bowels regular with Ayer's Pills, just one pill each night.

French-Bradley.

Mr. George H. French, formerly of Bethel, assistant manager of the Maine Farmer Publishing Company and Miss Nellie E. Bradley of Fort Fairfield, were married at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Fletcher, on Chapel Street, at 1.45 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. George Bruce Nicholson, rector of St. Mark's Episcopal church at Waterville. Mr. Byron Maddox of Augusta, acted as best man, and Elona Nicholson of Waterville, was the maid of honor. The affair was of a simple nature. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. French left on a wedding tour to Oxford county. They will reside at 13 East Chestnut Street, Augusta. The many Bethel friends of Mr. French extend their congratulations.

Cleared for Action.

When the body is cleared for action, by Dr. King's New Life Pills, you can tell it by the bloom of health on the cheeks; the brightness of the eyes; the firmness of the flesh and muscles; the buoyancy of the mind. Try them. At all druggists 25 cents.

W. C. T. U. Convention.

After the election of officers Wednesday morning the County Song written by Miss Isabel Shirley was sung by the members of the convention.

After appointment of superintendents, a Memorial service for Mrs. Martha Chapman of Bethel, and Mrs. Esther Munson of Rumford, was led by Mrs. Chandler. Miss Jane Gibson sang an appropriate solo very sweetly accompanied upon the organ by Miss Laura Hall.

After remarks by the president and noontide prayer, adjournment was made for dinner. The afternoon session was filled with unfinished business and the report of the Committee on Resolutions which was adopted.

The convention closed with singing, "Blessed be the tie that binds," and the Mizpah benediction, and was put on record as a most helpful and encouraging meeting.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES.

Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Druggists refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case, no matter of how long standing, in 6 to 14 days. First application gives ease; and rest, 50c. If your druggist hasn't it send 50c in stamps and it will be forwarded post-paid by Paris Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Notice.

I will be at the office of the selectmen on Saturday afternoon of each week to receive taxes beginning with Saturday, May 20.

T. H. JEWETT.

3W52 Collector of Bethel.

Sick headache results from a disordered stomach and is quickly cured by Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel; E. L. Tebbett's Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead.

Found.

On Paradise street, Wednesday of last week, a pair of steel bowed spectacles. Owner can have same by paying charges. Call at News office.

INFANT DEATHS IN RUSSIA.

Fifty Per Cent. of the Children Die Under the Age of Five.

It is, I believe, a pathological axiom that "the more uncivilized a people, the greater is its infant mortality." Applying this to the Russians there can be no doubt whatever that they stand very low in the scale of European civilization, but in this country, and in this particular respect one must, of course, draw a somewhat broad line between the classes and the masses. The campaign now being inaugurated against the frightful infant mortality has brought forth some startling and well-authenticated data. Taking the whole of the empire in Europe it is alleged that close upon 50 per cent. of the children die under the age of five years. The average in Norway, a near northern neighbor of Russia, is—ten, 5 per cent. in Sweden, thirteen, 2 per cent.; in England, fourteen, 9 per cent., etc. Ordinary infantile ailments, thought little of in western countries, prove fatal in Russia for the want of proper care and treatment and of medical attention. It is to be remembered, too, that the Russian peasant has, as a rule, no faith whatever in doctors, prefers old-fashioned domestic remedies, and is imbued with a fatalistic belief little less strongly marked than the kismet of the simple Mohammedan. The property of the people, the want of proper nourishment, and the severity of the climate are also to be taken into account in this connection. On the other hand, however, infanticide is more rife in Russia than in any country in the world, China excepted. Moscow possesses the largest, and in every respect the finest, foundling hospital in Christendom. Every one of the 16,000 infants it annually receives is well cared for. But in the rest of the large Russian centres those institutions are a standing disgrace and reproach to the municipalities. The Moscow creche is a state institution, the others are municipal establishments. For example, it has recently been shown that in the Odessa Foundling Hospital there are only seven nurses to every forty infants, and the mortality among the latter is 68 per cent. In the Kharkoff Foundling Institute the mortality is 95 per cent., and in Baku 80 per cent. The leaders of the new movement for the rescue of the children may well describe this state of things as legalized infanticide. Physically, the Russians are a fine and robust race, but the figures just quoted would go to prove that it is literally a matter of "the survival of the fittest."—London Standard.

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DESERT SCREECH-OWL.

Some of the Characteristics of This Peculiar Bird.

In Arizona the owls live mostly in holes in the ground and in holes in the giant cactus. It would be contrary to their predatory nature to dig their own holes or yet to build nests of sticks while there were other available nesting places. So every spring there is a lot of trouble among the desert chipmunks and ground squirrels until the burrowing owls have chosen their holes and settled down for the season. Similarly the Gila woodpeckers and gilded flickers have no assurance that their holes in the sahuaro are their own until after the screech owls and pigmy owls have been established in comfort. Possession is all the law there is in the Arizona cactus and desert, and, in case of a dispute, the owls eat little chipmunks and flickers, anyway.

All day in the cool depths of his hole the screech owl hides from the heat and glare. As the sun sinks he comes out and flits silently toward the river bottom, where the mice and kangaroo rats are already beginning to play on the sand patches and to bustle through the willows and arrowweed thickets. The quail and smaller birds are hid away in the bushes, and around the old logs and stumps great yellow scorpions and beetles are picking their way. At the slightest movement of a blade of grass the screech owl swoops to the ground, and when he is not ranging the flats for mammals, he is searching bunches of mistle and dense mesquite trees for the birds which lie hidden here.

He does not scorn the scorpion and beetles, nor yet grasshoppers and smaller bugs. At the same time he will tackle rabbit or twitch a pocket gopher from his hole by the head. He swallows his prey whole, and, after digestion has taken place, throws up the bones and fur in the shape of pellets. It is by looking for pellets beneath woodpeckers' holes in cottonwoods and sahuaras that naturalists are able to locate the homes of these owls.—Country Life in America.

Gen. Kuropatkin's Fearlessness.

Gen. Kuropatkin's hold over men is due to his reputation for absolute fearlessness. Five years ago he received the information that the great powder magazine at St. Petersburg and that at Toulon, France, were to be blown up within twenty-four hours. The general was in bed when he heard the news, but he at once got up and started for St. Petersburg without losing a moment. He summoned all the staff of the magazine and went on a round of inspection. He found everything in order, and as a proof of his satisfaction ordered every one in the magazine to take three days' holiday and to leave at once. He then collected a new garrison and a new staff and set a ring of sentries all round the magazine. The consequence was that nothing happened to St. Petersburg magazine, but that at Toulon was blown up the next day.

The Cathedral of Alexander Nevskoi St. Petersburg, is said to have the finest choir in the world. It is composed of about thirty of the best voices in the Russian monasteries. Whenever a novice with an exceptionally good voice is entered he is sent to the monastery of Alexander Nevskoi, where he is trained as carefully as an opera singer, and remains there doing nothing except assisting at the music at mass in the morning, and vespers in the afternoon until he becomes aged, when he is retired on a pension.

Russia's "Minstrel Boy."

The minstrel boy to the war has gone, or is going. It is announced by the Novosti that a number of venerable Kobzars are proceeding to Manchuria to encourage the young soldiers to fight—a Kobzar being a species of Russian bard, who chants rousing songs to the accompaniment of a kind of harp. Doubtless the Kobzars will not follow the example of the minstrel Taillefer, who rode into action in front of the whole Norman army at the battle of Hastings, "tossing his sword in the air and catching it again, while he chanted the song of Roland," and was the first to fall. The tendency of modern armies is to economize their musicians.—London Outlook.

Russia's "Two-Headed Eagle."

Russia's imperial two-headed eagle was first assumed by Ivan Basilovitch, when in 1472 he married Sophia, daughter of Thomas Palaeologus, and niece of Constantine XIV, the last emperor of Byzantium. The two heads symbolize the eastern or Byzantine empire and the western or Roman empire.

What Makes the Japs Short.

Some observers say that in all probability the next generation, or the next but one, of the Japanese will be as tall as the average European. It is the custom of sitting upon the ankles, instead of upon a chair, that explains the shortness of the Japanese leg. The arteries are kinked by the cramped position, and so the growing bones are not properly nourished. The Japanese spine is just of a length with that of the average European or American; indeed, all persons differ in height rather by reason of leg than of back. The length of the spinal column is singularly constant among various individuals and races.

Dolls are displayed in the cottage windows of Servia. They are intended as a sign to wayfarers, that a marriageable daughter dwells in the house.

An exquisite reproduction of a
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GIVEN AWAY"The Three Most Beautiful Roses"
By Paul de Longpre.

At the urgent solicitation of the *Woman's Home Companion*, Mr. Paul de Longpre, who is the greatest painter of flowers in the world consented to make a painting of what he considered "The Three Most Beautiful Roses," and the painting is without doubt one of the masterpieces of this great artist. This magnificent picture is reproduced in all its original grandeur on the cover of the *Woman's Home Companion* for June. Although the cover is an accurate reproduction of a painting worth hundreds of dollars, yet the June number, which has this exquisite cover, may be obtained at any first-class news-stand or direct from the publishers for the trivial sum of only ten cents.

Mr. Paul de Longpre is justly styled the "King of Flower Painters." He not only paints roses, but every flower that grows, and is the highest authority on flowers. His paintings are found in the most select homes. Some have sold for as much as seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500.00).

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He Raised Chickens.

Some amusing incidents occur at the free dispensary of the different hospitals in town, often because the poor patients fail to understand the terms used by the doctors. The following incident occurred at the University hospital last week, and illustrates the point in question.

A man came in whom the doctor thought was suffering from beginning pneumonia, so after getting his name and address and other necessary data, he asked the patient if he had a chill.

"Yes, a very bad chill yesterday," came the answer.

"Do you cough much?" asked the doctor.

"Yes, some," replied the patient, with a practical illustration.

"Do you raise anything?" was the next question.

The man hesitated a moment, then answered, innocently, "Well, only a few chickens."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Time Tried and Merit Proven.

One Minute Cough Cure is right on time when it comes to curing Coughs, Croup, Whooping Cough, etc. It is perfectly harmless, pleasant to take and is the children's favorite Cough Syrup. Sold by G. R. Wiley. D. W.

"What is the secret of your success?" asked the very young man.

"In buying," said the old horse-dealer, "I look sharp, and in selling, I look just as ignorant as I can."

Why suffer with spring tiredness, mean, cross feeling, no strength, no appetite? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will make you well and keep you well. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets.

G. R. WILEY.

"You have twice told me," said the benevolent Atlanta man to the wooden-legged mendicant, "that your leg was lost in the Civil war. Now, I'm sure you were too young to enlist at that time."

"Well, sir, 'I can't deceive you, you are right. It was my father who lost a leg in the war, and the blamed thing runs in the blood. I simply inherit it; I am a wounded veteran by birth."

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HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN Hair Renewer
Is it true you want to look old? Then keep your gray hair. If not, then use Hall's Hair Renewer, and have all the dark, rich color of early life restored to your hair.**WEST BETHEL.****All the Latest News from Our Near Neighbors.**

A heavy frost Monday morning. The nights are too cool for mosquitoes.

Mrs. Henry Seeley is spending a few days in Portland.

River driving on small streams is hanging up for a season.

Mrs. Dexter A. Cummings of Albany, was in this village, last week.

Mrs. Amanda Walker is gradually recovering from her recent illness.

Eugene Lary has returned home from his lumbering operations in New Hampshire.

A road machine drawn by six large horses is now being used in this end of the town.

Eben Scribner visited his brother, Amos K. Scribner, of Gorham, N. H., last week.

John Rollins who has been working in New Hampshire, since last fall, returned home, last week.

Henry Wight of West Bethel, being in the enjoyment of his usual health, was probably surprised to read the announcement of his death in last week's News.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Last Sunday a merry party consisting of the Misses Gwendolyn Stearns of Bethel, Allora Flint and Lillian Patterson of Wentworth Location, Lewis Coy of Dover, and Lester Bean of Bethel, were royally entertained by H. A. Heald, proprietor of the "Aziscolhos," marking the formal opening of the fishing season. Early in the morning the party under the guidance of A. W. Hart, fished the Rapids of the Magalloway and after four hours returned to the house the proud possessors of twenty-one handsome trout. At 12:30 the party were escorted to the newly furnished dining room where the following menu was served:

SOUP
Bisque of Baranosa Shrimp
FISH
Abbott Brook Trout Hunters' Style
JOINTS
Beef Fillet Larded with Salt Pork Brown Sauce
VEGETABLES
Rice Potatoes, Boiled in Jackets
Green Corn Tomatoes Turnips
PASTRY
Apple Mince Squash Pie
DESSERT
Vanilla Ice Cream with cake
Nuts Nabisco Wafers Raisins
Tea Coffee Milk

The afternoon was spent in mountain climbing and canoeing, and in the evening the party reluctantly returned to their homes, voting Mr. Heald a most genial host and "The Aziscolhos" just the place in which to spend a delightful vacation.

The Richest Man in the World.

The richest man in the world can not have his kidneys replaced nor live without them, so it is important not to neglect these organs. If Foley's Kidney Cure is taken at the first sign of danger, the symptoms will disappear and your health will be restored, as it strengthens and builds up these organs as nothing else will. Oscar Bowman, Lebanon, Ky., writes: "I have used Foley's Kidney Cure and take great pleasure in stating it cured me permanently of kidney disease, which certainly would have cost me my life." Sold by G. R. Wiley.

Early Risers
The famous little pills.

SOUTH PARIS NEWS.**Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.**

Miss Emma Haskell has been visiting in Portland.

The ladies of the Good Cheer Society are cleaning the Universalist church.

Rev. Smith Baker, D. D. of Portland, will deliver the oration Memorial Day.

Ruth Tucker has gone to "The Beeches," Paris Hill, where she is assistant housekeeper.

Mrs. H. N. Bolster is visiting her son, Harry T. Jordan, in Philadelphia.

The Mason Mfg. Co. and the Paris Mfg. Co. have established a Saturday half-holiday.

A reception was given at the Methodist parsonage, Thursday evening, to the official members of the church.

Last week the house of Henry Plummer on High street was entered by a midnight prowler.

Frank S. Pike has shingled the roof of his house on Pleasant street. Mr. Pike is blind and did the work alone. He was a good carpenter before affliction came upon him, and his hand has not lost its cunning.

A fire alarm was sounded, last Monday evening. A lamp was overturned in Dr. Woodbury's office in his home on High street, and the blazing oil did considerable damage, burning carpets and wall paper. The flames were extinguished with ashes.

A slight damage by fire, caused by the overturning of a lamp at J. J. Murphy's occurred Saturday evening.

The Seneca Club held a meeting, Wednesday evening, and chose the following officers:

President—Susie Rounds.
Vice President—Florence Jewett.
Secretary—Mrs. T. S. Barnes.
Treasurer—Eva Walker.
Press Reporter—Maud Douglass.
Executive Committee—Mrs. E. A. Howe, Mrs. H. A. Hilton, Mrs. Agnes Penfold.

Library Director—Mrs. F. A. Taylor. The club is soon to open a reading room for public use. It is proposed to fit up the public library room in Pythian Block, Pine street, with comfortable chairs and tables and supply it with papers and magazines. Miss Alice Knight, the present librarian will have charge.

Rev. A. K. Baldwin preached to the Hamlin Lodge K. of P. and Mizpah Assembly Sisterhood, Sunday afternoon, in the Congregational church. There was a large attendance.

The sled factory base ball team played the town team, Saturday afternoon, on the High school grounds on Pine street. Score 15 to 2 in favor of town team.

Rev. H. S. Pinkham of Somerville, attended the Baptist twentieth anniversary here, Monday evening.

Cured His Mother of Rheumatism.

"My mother has been a sufferer for many years with rheumatism," says W. H. Howard of Husband Pa. "At times she was unable to move at all, while at all times walking was painful. I presented her with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and after a few applications she decided that it was the most wonderful pain reliever she had ever tried, in fact, she is never without it now and is at all times able to walk. An occasional application of Pain Balm keeps away the pain that she was formerly troubled with."

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, H. W. Dennison, West Bethel; E. L. Tebbetts, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead.

Old Lady—What, you are sorry you are getting so big? Why so?

Child—'Cos ma says I'm gettin' old enough to know better.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought

BROWNFIELD.
The Universalist Ladies' Circle gave a free supper at Memorial Hall Wednesday evening and had quite a large attendance. The parish held their annual meeting and election of officers at the same time and place.

The officers are as follows:

Chairman—Mr. Frank Ham.
Parish Clerk—Mr. Jesse Rowe.
Treasurer—Mr. A. W. Gray.
Trustees—Frank G. Ham, Irving Linscott, Wm. P. Brooks.

Rev. H. H. Hoyt of Hiram, was present and spoke encouragingly of his work during the past year in the towns of Hiram, Brownfield and Fryeburg where he has held services each Sunday during the year. Mr. Hoyt reports between forty and fifty members added to these three churches during the year, mostly young people.

Mr. George C. Rowe of Boston, son of William C. Rowe, of this village, is visiting his father and friends. Mr. Rowe's close attention to his business, sign painting, has broken his health and he is thinking of trying his native town for a home, hoping to regain his former health and strength. Mr. Rowe's wife is much of an invalid, the result of a serious accident from being badly burned by the breaking of a lamp and setting fire to her clothing which was saturated with kerosene.

The town house is being painted.

Dr. H. F. Fitch takes the premium for trout fishing this spring. While on a visit to his old home in Sebago, last week, he once more tried his fishing luck at old ponds, and he was lucky enough to land a seven pound trout which he brought home with him. He will not now be content with a nibble from a brook trout.

Mr. Charles Graffam of Ipswich, Mass., is visiting friends in this village after several years' absence.

Mrs. F. E. Barton and little son Frank of Bethel, were in town, last week, visiting her aged mother, Mrs. John Fogg, and calling on old friends in the village.

RIGHT TIME TO CURE CATARRH

G. R. Wiley Guarantees Hyomei Will Cure if Used Now.

The early summer when the weather becomes warm and settled, is the best time of the whole year to treat catarrhal troubles with the expectation of complete and lasting relief.

Everyone who has catarrh, or even a tendency to catarrh, should use Hyomei now, for the benefit will be gained twice as quickly and the disease thoroughly eradicated from the system.

The complete Hyomei outfit costs but one dollar, and includes a neat pocket inhaler, a medicine dropper, and sufficient Hyomei for several weeks' treatment. The inhaler lasts a lifetime, and if more Hyomei is needed, extra bottles can be obtained for 50 cents.

In Bethel there are scores of well-known people who have been cured of catarrh by Hyomei. If it does not cure you, G. R. Wiley will return your money. This is the strongest evidence he can offer as to his faith in the remedy.

Personally Conducted.

Vacation Tours to the Pacific Coast via The Grand Trunk Railway System.

Personally conducted excursions to the Pacific coast via The Grand Trunk Railway System and connecting lines are being arranged, the first one to leave Portland, Maine, by special train Wednesday, July 5. The route will be via Montreal and Toronto to Chicago, thence through Council Bluffs to Omaha, Denver, and Colorado Springs. Stops will be made at each of these places, and side trips taken to Manitou, Cripple Creek, Garden of the Gods, etc. From there the party will continue through the famous scenic route of the Denver and Rio Grande, through the Royal Gorge to Salt Lake City, thence to Los Angeles, San Francisco, Mt. Shasta, Portland, Oregon, Seattle, Spokane, and home through St. Paul and Minneapolis. The trip will occupy about thirty days, ten days being spent on the Pacific coast.

The price for the round trip including railroad fare, Pullman service, meals in the dining car, hotels, side trips, etc., is \$162.50 from Portland, \$160.50 from Boston. This first trip is designed as a vacation trip for teachers, although many who are not teachers will improve the opportunity of taking the trip at the remarkably low price afforded.

For full information address
E. B. BOWLER,
Bethel, Me.

Healthy Children

It needs only a little watchfulness to keep children in good health. Look for the symptoms of little ailments and treat them promptly to ward off more serious sickness.

Dr. True's ELIXIR

is the greatest remedy for childhood complaints. For stomach and bowels disorders, indigestion, constipation, poor appetite, nervousness, nervous headache, fever and worms it is unrivaled. Nervousness, nervousness and a languid feeling all indicate troubles that are traced usually to the stomach, and quick relief follows the use of Dr. True's Elixir. Over 50 years in use. All druggists sell. Write for free booklet, "Children and their Diseases."

DR. J. F. TRUE & CO., Auburn, Me.

RUMFORD FALLS.

The Lady Forrester will give a social dance, Thursday night, at McMenamin Hall.

Mrs. Arsenault of Knox street, who has been critically ill with pneumonia, is on the road to recovery.

Morris Marx was in Boston and New York, last week, on business.

On Friday evening, there will be a supper and apron sale at the Baptist vestry. Supper from six to eight.

A seven pound boy arrived at the home of Harris P. Hall, Thursday morning, of last week.

Rev. G. A. Martin has been engaged to deliver the Memorial service to the G. A. R. Post at Rumford Center at 2:30 p. m., Sunday.

Miss Julia Jones and Eva Eaton left last week, for an extended trip to Chicago.

Clarence and James McMennamin were called to Frederickton, N. B. last Wednesday, by the death of their sister.

Miss Mary Durell has gone to her home in Berlin, N. H., for a few weeks' stay.

Matthew McCarthy, formerly member of the law firm of O'Brien & McCarthy in Lewiston, is soon to open a law office in Cheney block. Mr. McCarthy is a graduate of the University of Maine Law school, and has practiced law in Lewiston since 1902.

Bilious Bill was getting bloated, and his tongue was muchly coated. Patent "tonics" wouldn't cure him. Companies would not insure him. All his friends were badly frightened, but their spirits soon were lightened, for Bill said—and they believed him, EARLY RISER pills relieved him.

The famous Little Pills, "EARLY RISERS," cure Constipation, Sick Headache, Biliousness, etc., by their tonic effect on the liver. They never gripe or sicken, but impart early rising energy. Good for children or adults. Sold by G. R. Wiley, D. W.

GROVER HILL.

Dr. G. L. Sturdivant and little daughter were over Grover Hill, Monday.

Miss Bessie Mills was in this place, Monday.

Wesley Wheeler and sister Amy visited relatives in Gilead, Saturday.

Mr. Haywood, the proprietor of Cobblestone Farm, is moving here.

Levi R. Browne was at home, Sunday.

Do Not Be Imposed Upon.

Foley & Co., Chicago, originated Honey and Tar as a throat and lung remedy, and on account of the great merit and popularity of Foley's Honey and Tar many imitations are offered for the genuine. Ask for FOLEY'S Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered as no other preparation will give the same satisfaction. It is mildly laxative. It contains no opiates and is safest for children and delicate persons. Sold by G. R. Wiley, F.

NEWRY.

Percy Taylor is at home from Bethel for a few days.

Mrs. Mary Foster who has been visiting her daughter at Gorham, N. H., has returned to her home accompanied by her daughter May.

F. A. Hall who has been staying in town a few days, has gone to West Bethel and Gilead to hold some entertainments there.

W. F. Bisbee and wife were at A. B. Frost's, Saturday.

FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE
Cures Kidneys and Bladder Right

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE**BETHEL SAVINGS BANK,**

BETHEL, MAINE,

As it existed on the 26th day of April, 1905.

S. B. TWITCHELL, President.

A. E. HERRICK, Treasurer.

LIABILITIES.

Deposits,	\$395,438 12
Reserve Fund,	16,196 37
Undivided Profits,	14,684 36
	\$426,318 85

RESOURCES.

PUBLIC FUNDS OWNED.	Par Value	Estimated and Market Value	Charged on Books.	Total.
City of Auburn, 4s, 1911, Municipal,	\$ 500	\$ 512 50	\$ 500	
City of Calais, 4s, 1926, Municipal Buildings,	5 000	5,375 00	5,000	
Town of Freeport, 4s, 1909-11, Funding,	4,000	4,020 00	4,000	
Town of Sanford, 3½s, 1911-12, Municipal,	3,000	2,985 00	3,000	
Total Public Funds of Maine,	\$12,500			\$ 12,500 00
County of Atchinson, Kan., 4s, opt. 1914 Refunding,	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,040 00	\$ 4,000	
County of Athens, O., 5s, 1926, General Funding,	5,000	5,175 00	5,000	
County of Butler, O., 4s, 1916, Refunding,	4,000	4,140 00	4,000	
County of Franklin, Kan., 6s, 1910, Ref.,	5,000	5,450 00	5,000	
County of Franklin, Ky., 5s, 1923, Funding,	3,000	3,435 00	3,000	
County of Franklin, O., 4s, 1910-11, Bridge,	3,000	3,090 00	3,000	
County of Lyon, Kan., 4½s, 1919, Refunding,	5,000	5,325 00	5,000	
County of Sedgewick, Kan., 5½s, 1910, Ref.,	5,000	5,425 00	5,000	
County of Woodbury, Ia., 4s, opt. 1910, Ref.,	4,000	4,060 00	4,000	
County of Wyandotte, Kan., 4½s, 1919, Funding,	3,000	3,285 00	3,000	
City of Cleveland, O., 4s, 1922, School,	3,000	3,240 00	3,000	
City of Columbus, O., 4s, 1920-8, Dam,	5,000	5,359 00	5,000	
City of Dayton, O., 4s, 1920, Bd. of Education,	5,000	5,225 00	5,000	
City of Emporia, Kan., 4½s, opt. 1919, Ref.,	6,000	6,090 00	6,000	
City of Hammond, Ind., 5s, 1914, School,	4,000	4,340 00	4,000	
City of Ishpeming, Mich., 4s, 1916, Sch. Dist.,	3,000	3,030 00	3,000	
City of Kansas City, Mo., 3½s, 1919, School,	5,000	5,000 00	5,000	
City of Kansas City, Kan., 6s, 1908-10, Int. Imp.,	2,000	2,140 00	2,000	
City of Manistee, Mich., 4s, 1909, Water,	5,000	5,025 00	5,000	
City of Muskegon, Mich., 5s, 1915, Water,	5,000	5,575 00	5,000	
City of Nebraska City, Neb., 6s, opt. 1895, Paving,	3,000	3,000 00	3,000	
City of Port Huron, Mich., 4s, 1922, Repaving,	3,000	3,090 00	3,000	
City of Sault Ste Marie, Mich., 4½s, 1909, Sch.,	2,000	2,050 00	2,000	
City of Sedalia, Mo., 4½s, opt. 1907, Refundg,	5,000	5,075 00	5,000	
City of So. Omaha, Neb., 5s, 1923, Sch. Dist.,	10,000	11,100 00	10,000	
City of Toledo, O., 4s, opt. 1919, Refunding,	10,000	10,550 00	10,000	
City of Toledo, O., 4½s, 1912, Gen. St. Imp.,	1,000	1,060 00	1,000	
City of Toledo, O., 4s, 1942, Park,	1,500	1,657 50	1,500	
City of Toledo, O., 3½, 1920, Gen. St. Imp.,	1,000	1,000 00	1,000	
City of West Bay City, Mich., 5s, 1907, Elec. Lt.,	5,000	5,100 00	5,000	
City of Westport, Mo., 5s, 1916, Pub. Bldgs.,	5,000	5,575 00	5,000	
City of Youngstown, O., 5s, 1910, School,	2,000	3,165 00	3,000	
City of Xenia, O., 4s, 1921-2, School District,	4,000	4,000 00	4,000	
Township of Vincennes, Ind., 5s, 1906, Munic.,	2,000	2,020 00	2,000	
Total Public Funds out of Maine,	\$139,500			\$139,500 00
Railroad Bonds Owned.				
Maine Central Railroad, 5s, 1912,	\$ 3,000.	\$ 3,240 00	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000 00
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, C. & P. Western Div., 5s, 1921,	5,000	5,850 00	5,000	
Cincinnati, Richmond & Muncie, 5s, opt. 1910,	4,000	4,360 00	4,000	
Cleveland, Lorain & Wheeling, 5s, 1933,	3,000	3,480 00	3,000	
Des Moines Street, Ia., 6s, 1914,	3,000	3,210 00	3,000	
Hoosac Tunnel & Wilmington, 5s, 1906-9	4,000	4,000 00	4,000	
Lowell, Lawrence & Haverhill, 5s, opt.,	6,000	6,300 00	5,400	
Newport & Fall River, 5s, 1918,	3,000	3,120 00	3,000	
Norton & Taunton Street, Mass., 5s, 1920,	2,000	1,800 00	2,000	
Total Railroad Bonds out of Maine,	\$30,000			\$29,400 00
Corporation Bonds Owned.				
Bethel Water Supply Company, 5s, 1916,	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000 00	\$ 5,000	
Berlin Mills Co., (Me. and N. H.) 5s, 1913,	5,000	5,000 00	5,000	
Hebron Water Company, 4s, 1922,	3,000	3,000 00	3,000	
Total Corporation Bonds Owned,	\$13,000			\$ 13,000 00
National Bank Stock Owned.				
Bethel National Bank, Bethel,	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500 00	\$ 3,500	
Canal National Bank, Portland,	5,300	5,618 00	5,300	
Casco National Bank, Portland,	9,200	9,416 00	9,200	
Chapman National Bank, Portland,	1,000	1,080 00	1,000	
First National Bank, Portland,	8,000	8,320 00	7,984	
Merchants' National Bank, Portland,	450	630 00	450	
National Shoe & Leather Bank, Auburn,	2,200	2,365 00	2,200	
Norway National Bank, Norway,	1,700	2,040 00	1,700	
Total National Bank Stock Owned,	\$31,350			\$31,334 00
Loans on Savings Bank Books.				
Bethel Savings Bank,	\$ 300 00	\$ 300 00		
Portland Savings Bank,	35 00	35 00		
Loan on Worumbo Manufacturing Co. Stock,				\$ 335 00
Lisbon Falls,	\$ 800 00	\$ 800 00		
Loan on Life Insurance Policy,	750 00	750 00		
Loans on Mortgages of Real Estate,	170,575 88	170,575 88		
Real Estate Investment,	\$ 5,000 00	\$ 5,000 00		\$172,125 88
Real Estate Foreclosure,	2,859 12	2,859 12		
Safe and Furniture,	1,240 50	1,240 50		
Expense Account,		\$1,640 77		\$ 9,099 64
Cash on Deposit,	\$10,969 41	10,969 41		\$ 1,640 77
Cash on Hand,	3,414 17	3,414 17		\$41,383 58
Unpaid Accrued Interest,	4,600 00			\$426,318 85
Due Depositors, earned dividend and accrued State Tax,	\$441,808 08			
	\$401,923 12			
Estimated market value of resources above liability for deposits, earned dividend and State Tax, 39,884 96				
Annual expenses, \$1,000.				
F. E. TIMBERLAKE,				
Bank Examiner.				

YOUNG FOLKS.

My Mamma's Hands.

I wish you'd see my mamma's hands
And the things that they can do.
She says they're "very ugly ones,"
But I don't believe that's true.
They're pretty, all the same, to me,
And mighty clever too.
She says she can't do anything,
But I see her work all day.
She writes long things on paper,
Which she says are "not much pay."
She sews, knits and cooks sometimes,
(And she spanked me yesterday).
She makes nice cake and omelet,
And stockings she can darn.
Why, the other day I found her
Whitewashing our barn.
And often I do have to sit
And hold great hanks of yarn!
I wonder if my mamma's hands
Ever stop to go to sleep.
Why, they're busy when they hear me
say,
"Pray God, my soul to keep."
Some night when she's not looking
I'll just run in and peep.
—L. Spoyers.

Scip's Mark.

Father! Scip! here Scip! O, father!
why don't you come? Here Scip!
wait for me! I'm tired! I can't walk
any more now! wait Scip!

Down dropped the tired little
body to the curbstone, and down on
the same hard stone the tired little
head would have dropped had not
Scip waited. Faithful friend that he
was, his shaggy side pillowed the
weary head. And it was not so
hard a pillow, either, if one could
judge by the perfect repose of the
curly pate, and the prompt closing
of the boyish eyes. Pillow and
guard as well.

The red flames leaped from build-
ing to building, walls tottered and
fell with a deafening crash; engines
rattled over stone-paved streets;
and thousands of hurrying feet
tramped past the spot; but the child
slept peacefully.

Coarse, hard-featured men paused
a moment to look at the pretty pic-
ture and think of their own inno-
cent boyhood, perhaps. The sturdy
firemen drew their sleeves across
their reeking brows, and for a brief
moment forgot the fierce unconquer-
ed flames which they had fought
bravely, but vainly for hours. Mer-
chants from the ruins of their own
vast warehouses, or even then
watching the great tongues of fire
melting away the fruits of a life-time
of industry, found time to gaze on
the sleeper, and wish, perchance,
that they might find as sweet
oblivion from their overburdening
cares. Even the midnight marauders,
jubilant over the city's misfortune,
halted briefly, while a softer look
crept into their faces as they gazed.
Yet the child slept on.

The roaring of the vast sea of
flame, the crash of crumbling walls;
the stunning explosions that ever
and anon shook the very ground;
the awful din of the fierce battle
with the devouring element, all fail-
ed to awaken him. Even Scip's
hoarse growl as some covetous hand
reached for the costly circlet of gold,
about the child's fair neck, was all
unheeded by the sleeper. Was it
only sleep?

Far up the street, but growing
nearer and nearer, rang out an an-
guished cry:

"Charley! my boy, where are you?"
It was nothing to that vast crowd,
yet many a man gazed pityingly at
the haggard face and wished him
well. On he pushed, re-echoing the
shout and keeping his eye on the
blackened walls of what had once
been his home.

"Charley! Charley!"
His whole heart was in that cry—
a father's heart; but his voice grew
fainter as he neared the ruins, and
realized that no living thing could
have survived the melting heat which
had warped and crumbled those
solid granite walls. Hope was leav-
ing him. It was not all gone how-
ever, not quite all gone, for, as he
turned away from his ruined home,
he shouted once more: "Charley!
Charley!"

"Here, pa!"
He stopped and listened scarce
believing that he heard the answer.
Oh, what a horrible din! How
could one be certain of anything!
"Charley! Charley!"
"Here, pa, here we be—Scip and

me. Oh! where have you been?
we've been so lonesome; and I guess
we've been asleep. What made you
stay?"

So, the little fellow had only been
sleeping after all. The father's
voice had roused him when every
other sound had failed.

Can you guess what the father
did? He took the dear little form
in his arms, and gazed into the
childish happy face for one long
minute without a word. Then he
murmured:

"Thank God! the lost is found!
the dead is alive again! Blessed be
the name of the Lord!"

Was I dead, pa?" asked Charley,
in innocent wonder.

"You were dead to me for one
long hour, my boy," was the reply in
a choking voice, as he thought of
the agony just past. "I thought you
were burned up with the house."

"What house, pa? Our house? Is
it all burned up?"

"Why yes, child!"

"I didn't know it. What burned
it?"

"Why half the city is afire. See
those flames and smoke! But where
were you, Charley?"

"Abed, where you left me."

"But how came you here?"

"I don't know. All I know is that
Scip and me were out here on the
street, and I got so tired that I
couldn't walk any more, and I laid
down and Scip stayed with me,
didn't you, doggy?"

"You don't mean to say that you
didn't know when you left the
house?" asked the father with un-
feigned surprise.

"I didn't know anything about it,
pa, did we Scip? But where are we
going, now our house is burned all
up?"

"To your Uncle John's," answered
the father abstractedly. There was
something mysterious about his es-
cape from the burning house, that
he could not fathom as yet.

"Le's go then," said Charley.
"Come Scip."

"The dog followed staidly along
behind his young master, and when
they reached "Uncle John's," he
cooly walked in without any press-
ing invitation, no doubt considering
himself entitled to a new home with
the rest.

"Uncle John" had but just come
in with the tidings of his brother's
loss, and death, perhaps, for no one
had seen him. The arrival of
Charley and his father was, there-
fore, a welcome sight.

"Thank God! you are both safe!"
was "Uncle John's" exclamation of
relief. "Let everything else go now,
we'll make it up again if our lives
are spared. But tell me all about it,
William."

"I have nothing to tell," was the
reply. "I was over on the west side
of the city when the fire broke out;
I left Charley in bed. When the
alarm was given, I hastened back,
and found my home in ruins, but no
Charley. I was nearly crazed, and
I shouted his name. He answered,
and soon came to me, followed by
the dog. How he got out of the
house, or when, he does not know,
it is all a mystery to me."

"I guess I fell out," said Charley
with a wise look, "for my arm is
sore."

The chubby arm was bared in a
twinkling, and there, in the tender
flesh, were some dark, reddish blue
spots.

"It is all plain now," said Uncle
John, looking over his spectacles at
Scip who lay stretched out on the
hearth. "Plain as the nose on your
face, William. Scip saved the boy,
and that is where his teeth went
through the cloth—his mark." Yes,
that was Scip's mark which Charley
will carry as long as he lives. Will
he ever be ashamed of it? Never!—
Selected.

Hot Weather Piles.

Persons afflicted with Piles should
be careful at this season of the year.
Hot weather and bad drinking
water contribute to the conditions
which make Piles more painful and
dangerous. DeWitt's Witch Hazel
Salve stops the pain, draws out the
soreness and cures. Get the
genuine, bearing the name of E. C.
DeWitt & Co. Sold by G. R.
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AN OLD MAN'S TRIBUTE.

An Ohio Fruit Raiser, 78 Years Old,
Cured of a Terrible Case After Ten
Years of Suffering.

When suffering daily torture
from backache, rheumatic pain,
Any ill of kidneys or bladder,
Turn to Doan's Kidney Pills.
A cure endorsed by thousands.
Read an old man's tribute.

Sidney Justus, fruit dealer, of Mentor,
Ohio, says: "I was cured by Doan's
Kidney Pills of a severe case of kidney
trouble of
eight or ten
years' stand-
ing. I suffered
the most severe
backache and
other pains in
the region of
the kidneys.
These were es-
pecially severe
when stooping
to lift any-
thing, and often I could hardly straighten
my back. The aching was bad in the
daytime, but just as bad at night, and I
was always lame in the morning. I was
bothered with rheumatic pains and the
urinary passages were painful, and the
secretions were discolored and so free that
often I had to rise at night. I felt tired
all day. Half a box served to relieve me,
and three boxes effected a permanent
cure."



SIDNEY JUSTUS.

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney
medicine which cured Mr. Justus will
be mailed on application to any part of
the United States. Address Foster-Mil-
burn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all
dealers; price, fifty cents per box.

Terrific Race With Death.

"Death was fast approaching,"
writes Ralph E. Fernandez, of
Tampa, Fla., describing his fearful
race with death, "as a result of liver
trouble and heart disease, which had
robbed me of sleep and of all in-
terest in life. I had tried many dif-
ferent doctors and several medicines,
but got no benefit, until I began to
use Eclectic Bitters. So wonderful
was their effect, that in three days I
felt like a new man, and to-day I
am cured of all my troubles."

Guaranteed at all druggists; 50
cents.

Straight and Level Roads.

In the prairie State of Iowa, where
roads are no worse than in many other
States, there is a greater number of
roads having much steeper grades
than are found in the mountainous
Republic of Switzerland. In Mary-
land the old stagecoach road or turn-
pike running from Washington to
Baltimore makes almost a "bee line,"
and regardless of hills or valleys, and the
grades at places are as steep as 10 or
12 per cent., where by making little
detours perfectly level, or by running
it up the hills less abruptly the grade
might have been reduced to 3 or 4
per cent., as is done in the hilly re-
gions of many parts of this and other
countries. Straight roads are the
proper kind to have, but in hilly coun-
tries their straightness should always
be sacrificed to obtain a level surface
so as to better accommodate the peo-
ple who use them.

Avoid Large Stones.

Macadam insisted that no large
stone should ever be employed. In
road making, and, indeed, most mod-
ern road builders practice his prin-
ciple that "small angular fragments
are the cardinal requirements." As a
general rule it has been stated that no
stone larger than a walnut should be
used for the surfacing of roads.

Mutton of good quality usually sells
at a higher price than beef and yet it
is produced at considerably less cost.

Of all methods of improving the soil
and destroying weeds sheep are the
best.

Washing Mattings.

Clean the straw matting with warm
water in which oxalic acid has been
dissolved, applying it with a scrub-
bing brush; then rinse carefully with
clean water, using a soft old cloth, and
wipe dry. Clean but a small space at
a time.

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WANT COLUMN.

For Sale.

Two new milch cows, one calf,
one shoat, one work horse, one steel
plow, one spring tooth harrow, one
farm wagon, pole and shafts, one
top buggy. Will be sold cheap.
C. C. FARWELL,
Bethel, Me.

Notice.

I will pasture cattle this season at
reasonable rates.

CHESTER H. LITTLEHALE,
Sunday River, North Bethel,
Maine.

Wanted.

A capable girl or middle-aged
woman for general housework.
Good wages will be paid for efficient
service. Address,
51 Lock Box 388, Bethel, Maine.

Hard Wood Ashes

FOR SALE.

For terms and particulars write to
A. M. STAHL, Berlin, N. H.

Farm for Sale.

The attention of anyone desiring
to purchase an excellent intervalle
farm is called to the B. W. Kimball
farm at Middle Intervale. The
farm consists of 150 acres, will cut
40 tons of hay and will pasture 15
head of cattle. Large quantity of
wood and lumber, 200 young apple
trees, 20 plum and cherry trees.
Buildings in good repair. Excellent
land to handle and under good state
of cultivation. Situated within 3½
miles of Bethel village on R. F. D.
route. Local telephone connection.
Inquire of
E. C. BOWLER,
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FOR SALE.

The Ryerson Place in Bethel.
Fine Country Place in Mayville, near
Bethel. About 135 acres. 35 tillage, 100
pasture, wood and timber. Cuts a good lot
of hay. In good cultivation. Large two-
story house with spacious ell and shed con-
nected, 25 rooms; 2 large barns, 40x100 and
30x75. Water in house and barn. All in
excellent repair. House has been used as
hotel by owners, but was built for private
use. Has been much improved lately.
Location is unexcelled for health, business,
home life, or summer resort. Situated in
the bend of the river, with fine view of the
mountains; fronted by broad level intervals,
backed by fine forests; first class communi-
ty.

Upon the farm is the trotting course of
the Riverside Park Association which with
all buildings, goes with the farm. One of
the most attractive and desirable places in
the State. Excellent for summer boarders.
Owner sells because the recent death of her
son renders her unable to manage place.
Price, \$10,000 on easy terms. Apply to
HERRICK & PARK,
Bethel, Me.

Farm for Sale.

A nice farm situated in Lewis-
ton within three miles of the city,
on electric road; fifty acres of land,
about equally divided as to pas-
ture and tillage land; has thirty
or forty fruit trees; a spring of
pure water near house, also nice
well water, excellent set of farm
buildings including large hen
house, new; cellar under house, all
stable; excellent land to culti-
vate, and cuts twenty-five tons of
hay; early land, and excellent
markets for vegetables, berries
and all farm produce; never fail-
ing brook runs through the pas-
ture. Will sell at a bargain and
on easy terms. For particulars in-
quire of, or address,
E. C. BOWLER,
Bethel, Maine.

AGENTS WANTED, AT LIBERAL
COMMISSION

To introduce and sell "Sunshine,"
the best furniture polish in the
world. It sells on sight. You
can make money this winter.
For particulars write,
OREN HOOPER'S SONS,
Portland, Me.

Wanted.
Teachers for graded and ungrad-
ed schools. Write to
THE MAINE TEACHERS' AGENCY,
Bethel, Maine.

The E. A. STROUT,
FARM AGENCY,
Sold 239 Farms in Maine
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THE HOME.

Tell It Now.

Have you any cheery greeting?
Tell it out to-day!
While you wait the friend and message
May have gone away.
Let the one who sighs for comfort
Feel a hand grasp true:
It will cheer the way and surely
Can't impoverish you.
We are all the time regretting
When it is too late.
And some heavy heart has broken
While we hesitate.
Lives are human, though so often
We disguise our pain;
Some are hungering for your comfort,
Give and give again.

—E. H. Shannon.

With genuine affection in your heart and plenty of work in your mind you can be tolerably indifferent to the unpleasant matters of life.

Life is too short to nurse one's misery. Hurry across the lowlands that you may linger longer on the mountain tops.

Hang these words on your bed-post or tack them into your brain:

I am going to become an optimist.
From now on I am going to change my entire life and my entire style of thinking.

I will endeavor hereafter to be generous in my view toward others, broad-minded, large-spirited and kind, thinking well of everybody, mean of nobody, and overlooking the little faults, believing that there are other qualities in the man that overwhelm the deficiency.

"There is so much bad in the best of us and so much good in the worst of us that it behooves each of us to be charitable to the rest of us."

I shall see the bright side of everything.

I shall talk like an optimist, laugh like an optimist, and move about like an optimist, conscious of the fact that I shall radiate sunshine and make every one around me happier.—Physical Culture

Don't Let Your Ambition Cool.

The idea seems to be pretty general that ambition is born in us, that we have little or nothing to do with its acquisition or cultivation, and that we cannot modify, enlarge, stimulate or improve it to any great extent. A study of life does not confirm this idea; that the ambition is cultivatable quality, capable of being modulated or destroyed according as we will, is demonstrated every day in the lives of those about us. We see people in whom the spark of ambition is kindled suddenly by the reading of a book, the hearing of a lecture or the speaking of a kindly word by a friend or teacher, and on the other hand, we see those who allow their ambition to slowly die out for want of fuel.

Don't Drift with the Tide.

Two persons stand upon the same bluff overlooking the great Mississippi. The one can see nothing but a winding sheet of water obliged to follow down an incline on the earth's surface and therefore was of no interest to him. While the other, spellbound and with awe and admiration for the wonderful works of nature, behold a mighty river, as in its ceaseless power and majestic beauty it rolls ever onward to the sea. As we saw the ripple of the water here and there as it played around some hidden rock, we thought of the pilot who, when asked if he knew where all dangerous rocks and shoals were along the deep river, replied, "No, but I know where the deep water is, and if we keep the boat in the deep water we shall be safe and need not worry much about where the rocks are," and as we mused we thought we might learn a lesson from this, and not fool away our lives paddling along the shores of the river of time, probing around trying to find all the rocks. We believe many lives are wrecked, not so much by the storms of life, as by drifting with the tide and striking these rocks and coming in contact with the hidden sins and dangers along the shore. Push out on the deep water, head your bark up the stream—none but lazy people drift with the

tide. Lay hold upon the promises of God and pull against the current, and as the years roll by as ceaseless as the flow of this mighty river we shall be able to look back with peace and consolation upon a life well spent in service for God and humanity and by and by how sweet will come the welcome words, "Well done good and faithful servant."

STATE NEWS.

The class of 1905 which graduates this June from the University of Maine, it is said, will be one of the largest and best that has gone out of there for years.

The extension of the B. & A. to the seacoast is making business lively for the Waldo register of deeds. Thus far he has recorded 150 deeds and many more will follow.

No Maine college baseball team ever took a longer trip than that of the University of Maine which has just played ten games in New Hampshire, Vermont and Massachusetts. Of the ten games four were won and six lost.

The members of the North Deering Congregational church have decided to invite the Rev. J. A. Waterworth of Falmouth to become pastor of their church. For the past two years Mr. Waterworth has been pastor of the First Congregational church of Falmouth.

The bodies of Merritt Stuart and David Maitland of Machiasport who were drowned through the overturning of their boat off Birch Point, Saturday, were recovered late Sunday, by parties who had been dragging the river since the accident. Stuart was single but Maitland was married only two weeks ago.

Elijah Norton, the Foxcroft fox farm proprietor, secured while in Waterville recently, two little black foxes about one week old. When brought home the family cat evinced considerable interest in the orphans and after giving them a bath carried both up stairs to her litter of kittens. At last reports she was mothering them with as much devotion as though they were her own offspring, and they appeared very happy and contented.

Warning.

You cannot have good health unless your kidneys are sound, for the kidneys filter the blood of impurities which otherwise act as irritating poisons and break down the delicate organs of the body and cause serious trouble. If you have kidney or bladder trouble and do not use Foley's Kidney Cure, you will have only yourself to blame for results, as it positively cures all forms of kidney and bladder diseases. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

The Japs.

Note the fighting of the Japs—
Valiant Japs!
How they give the Bear most unexpected raps!
How they hoot, hoot, hoot,
At the Muscovite galoot,
Who was going to wipe their nation off the maps.
See the cunning of the Japs—
Crafty Japs!
How the hungry Bear the bait so blindly snaps!
While they shoot, shoot, shoot,
At the Muscovite galoot,
Who's forever walking into all their traps.
Hear the music of the Japs—
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Adventure of an Arctic Traveler.

A recent traveler in arctic Siberia, Mr. Vanderlip, a gold hunter, tells the following of his return to civilization: "I found that half a dozen of the officers and men of the steamer which my employers had sent for me had come to hunt me up. The captain 'is mounted and I tried to address him in Russian, but he said: 'You forget that I speak English.' Now it may seem scarcely credible, and yet it is true, that for a few moments I was totally unable to converse with him in my native tongue. I had not used a word of it in conversation for months, and my low physical condition acting on my nerves, confused my mind and I spoke a jumble of English, Russian and Korak. It was a week before I could talk good, straight English again."

Japan and Russia's Naval Origin.

Russia's navy had its origin in a boat which Queen Elizabeth sent to Ivan the Terrible, and with which later Peter the Great got the "sea craze." Japan's first European type of ship was built by Adams, an Englishman. Holland and Denmark, however, did most of the training of the officers of Japan's modern fleet. Some of them, as is well known, were trained in the United States.

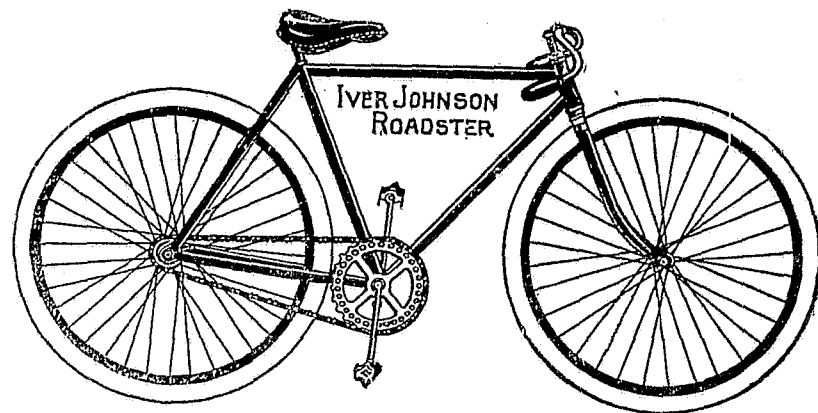
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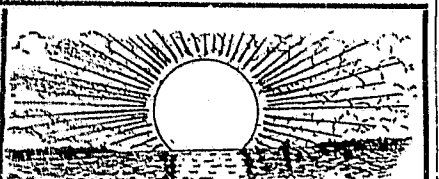
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That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Bethel News, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Bethel on the third Tuesday of June, A. D. 1905, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

ELI H. B. CHAMMAN, late of Bethel, petitioner that Ralph E. Chapman or some other suitable person be appointed administrator of said estate presented by C. E. H. I. Ch. man, executor.

OLIVE BLAKE late of Bethel, deceased; petitioner that Commissioners on disputed claims be appointed, presented by H. H. Hastings, administrator.

MATTHEW J. JACQUES of Bethel, petitioner that her name be changed to Abigail F. Sullivan, presented by said Abigail F. Jacques.

ADDISON F. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.
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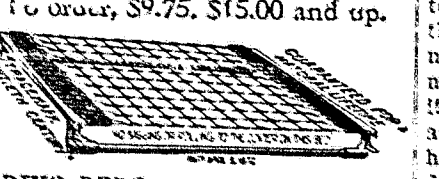


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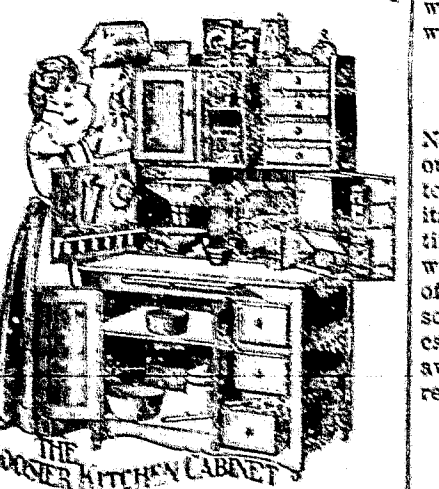
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SWORDS IN JAPAN.

Two Swordsmiths Whose Blades Were the Finest Made.

Until the year 1603 there was no law existing in Japan with regard to the wearing of swords. Any one might carry as many as he chose. During the Tokugawa regime, however, a law was promulgated which allowed only the nobles, the fighting men or samurai, the artists or painters and the swordsmiths to carry swords. This law remained in force until 1877, when an edict was issued forbidding any one to wear swords in public. This created discontent among those whose privilege it was to carry them, whereupon the government proclaimed another edict, allowing any one to wear as many swords as he pleased. This removed the cherished distinction attached to the wearer of a sword, and no one cared to do what was permitted to all. Although wearing swords has entirely ceased for twenty years in Japan, the old esteem and reverence for the weapon and its use still exist among the gentlemen of the country, and many of the nobility have at their houses regular establishments where fencing is practiced.

In the past there were certain famous swordmakers in Japan and authentic blades of their workmanship are highly prized. One old-time swordmaker has a singular reputation. This is Muramasa, who was a pupil of the great Masamune, second in fame of all Japanese swordsmiths. He was widely known, and undoubtedly made swords which were excellent weapons, but he was a man of violent temper, and his swords were thought exceedingly dangerous. It was supposed that once withdrawn from the sheath they always shed blood before being returned. They were regarded as being particularly unlucky, so far as the Tokugawa family of Japanese rulers was concerned. The father and grandfather of Iyeyasu, the first shogun of the family, were both attacked by men carrying Muramasa swords. Iyeyasu therefore issued an edict forbidding any one to carry them. It was in this way that they acquired their bad reputation.

Muramasa once challenged Masamune to a trial of their respective swords. Masamune consented, and the sword blades were placed in a running stream of water with their edges turned against the current. All the leaves, twigs and rubbish which flowed down stream ran into Muramasa's sword and were severed, while they carefully avoided coming into contact with Masamune's blade. "Ah," said Masamune, "that demonstrates very well the difference between our swords; yours is bloodthirsty and cuts everything which comes near it, while mine avoids doing unnecessary damage."

A Drummer's Yarn.

"Funny things happen to a commercial salesman occasionally," said H. W. Haist, of Chicago, at the Republican House, "and I had an amusing experience this week. The house sent me a line of samples about which I knew absolutely nothing. They were something entirely new to me, but I was ordered to rush them and started out to do so. Almost the first man I struck was a buyer for a big firm who was new to the business, having been in the position only a short time, and he, too, knew absolutely nothing about the goods I offered him. We strolled around for several minutes, confining our conversation to very general terms and fearful every minute of making a break that would make us ridiculous. Then he said he would speak to the foreman of the department to which those goods belonged. I hinted that I would go along with him and did so. The foreman knew all about the goods. There are certain terms and a special phraseology, and both the buyer and myself grasped at every word the foreman spoke and then in a nonchalant way used the terms ourselves as if we had known them for years. As soon as the foreman chanced to let out another technical word, we would both jump out at it greedily and bandy it back and forth as familiarly as you please. After an hour of as hard work as I have ever done in my life I succeeded in selling the man a fair-sized order. I don't know yet what I sold him and he doesn't know what he bought, but the foreman said it was all right, and what he said went—that time."—Milwaukee Evening Wisconsin.

The Witch Tree in Nevada.

A very remarkable tree grows in Nevada. It is called by the superstitious Indians the witch tree. It grows to a height of six or seven feet, and its trunk at the base is about three times the size of an ordinary man's wrist. The wonderful characteristic of the tree is its luminosity, which is so great that on the darkest night it can be seen plainly at least a mile away. A person standing near could read the finest print by its light.

Brief Sketch of Japan.

The total area is 147,655 square miles, excluding Formosa; and the population about 46,000,000 or 300 to the square mile. Eight cities contain 100,000 or more population, and 13 others exceed 50,000 population.

Religious freedom is guaranteed, and there is no state religion or support, but most of the people are of either Shintoists or Buddhists. Elementary education is compulsory and public schools are supported everywhere by a combination of government and local funds. There are two imperial universities.

The total imperial income in 1903 was about \$73,000,000 yen (about \$165,000,000). The public debt in 1903 was \$68,461,195 yen.

FREAK BRIDGES IN ARIZONA.

Bridges Have Had to Be Abandoned Through River's Changes.

An abandoned bridge at Florence, Ariz., is a striking example of the uncertainty of the streams of the desert region. Where for many months in the year there is but a dry and sandy river bed, a raging torrent rushes during the rainy season or after a storm in the mountains, washing away whole tracts of land or cultivated spots along the river bank. These streams often change their course in a single night, and the next morning the river may be found half a mile or more away. This is what occurred at Florence, on the Gila River, where an iron bridge, recently constructed, was left high and dry on the desert, and therefore utterly useless.

Because of this uncertainty in the course of the rivers but few bridges are built in the desert country. When the water in a stream is high, travelers by stage or on horseback camp on the banks and wait for the water to run down, as it will certainly do, often in a very few hours. Sixty miles below Florence, on the Gila River, the branch railroad to Phoenix crosses this stream, which at this point is constantly shifting its bed toward the north. The railroad company has met the changes in the river bed by adding to the bridge, so that it is now over a mile long, and for a great distance crosses a barren desert where the river once flowed. There are many other instances in the Southwest where rivers have changed their courses, and in some cases have completely disappeared, occasioned by a mountain torrent cutting through a watershed and changing the outlet of the stream. These freaks of nature are a serious drawback to that region.—Leslie's Weekly.

A Woman's Clever Trick.

In 1558 a certain Dr. Cole, charged by Queen Mary of England with a royal commission to punish the Irish protestants, stopped on the way to Dublin at the Blue Posts, of Chester, where the innkeeper, Betty Mottershead, overheard him, as he flourished his parchment, exclaim, "Here is what will lash the heretics of Ireland!" Fearing for the safety of her brother or brother-in-law, John Edmonds, she, while he slept, looted his bag, abstracting the warrant and substituting for it a pack of cards, with grim humor placing the knave of clubs face uppermost on the top. When the doctor opened his bag, safe on Irish soil, the guileless imbecile countenance of the knave leered at him, but no warrant was there; and before he had time to return for fresh authority Mary was dead and his power was gone forever. For this deed Queen Elizabeth granted a pension for life to Betty of \$200 a year.

Felt Tents Not a New Device.

A Copenhagen dispatch tells of a Dane who has invented a new military tent fashioned of felt. Possibly there may be some new method of treating the material, but felt tents are not a new device. They played their part in eastern history at a date sufficiently late to be in most people's recollection. The Turcoman tribes of Transcaspiia, not to seek further, have used tents of felt of ages. The use of them had a curious effect upon a Russian expedition thirty-five years ago. Gen. Lomakin assailed the stronghold of the Tekkes and fired in terrific volleys of grape and shell among the tents of felt. But no serious damage seems to have been done, and when the troops attempted the storming of the felt encampment they were repulsed and fled in wild panic.

The Hardiness of the Mule.

A correspondent with the Tibet mission tells a mule story: "Mules, apparently, do not die from any cause and this mission has again proved the extreme hardiness of these animals. When the mission first crossed the Jelap-la, a mule slipped in the dusk and fell into the lake at the bottom of the pass. It was thought to be drowned. Next morning a convoy found it with its nose just above the ice, the rest of its body literally frozen in. Pickaxes were brought and the animal was dug out. It is now working as usual.—St. James' Gazette.

The "Pill City."

A new cognomen has been added to the already wearisome list of nicknames applied to American cities. Detroit is now the "Pill City." It is said that 70 per cent. of the pill product of the United States is manufactured in that city. It has several large drug manufacturing houses, and in fact does a larger business in that line than any other place in the United States. The word "pill" embraces not only the old-fashioned article, resembling a shot, but oval, square, flat and every other shape of tablet and pellet. These are not patent medicines, as a rule, but pills made up according to the formulas in the recognized pharmacopoeias, and purchased at wholesale by druggists, to be dispensed as physicians' prescriptions.—Toledo Blade.

Names of Japan's Warships.

Japan has christened her big battleships after great mountains and the smaller war vessels from some well-known natural features of the country. It may also be mentioned that at the end of the name of every Japanese ship is either the termination kan or maru. They stand, as it were, as equivalents for our own U. S. S. and S. S. Kan means war vessel, and is applied, of course, only to the emperor's fleet. Maru, which means round, is applied to merchant vessels—why, it is difficult to say.

JEWEL STREET, MEXICO.

Named for a Magnificent Bracelet of Gold Set with Precious Stones.

The jewel from which this well known street in Mexico City takes its name was a magnificent bracelet of gold, set with many precious stones. The jewel was made for Isabel de la Garside y Tovar, a beautiful woman belonging to the most exclusive society of the capital of Mexico, both by birth and marriage. But, alas! it was not her husband, Senor Alonso Fernandez de Bobadilla, who presented the bracelet to her. This gentleman had for a long time been much more unhappy than he appeared. In truth, he was the most miserable of mortals, for he was filled with apprehension that the wife of his bosom, whom he so much loved, did not return his affection and was not true to him. They lived in the greatest luxury in one of the finest homes in the street, and, indeed, in Mexico. Senor Fernandez's offices were on the first floor of the house, and their large and handsomely furnished living apartments were above. One day the senior was sitting in his office, sadly meditating on his lot, when a letter was thrown through the bars of the window and fell directly in front of him. He started as if from a dream, but even before he broke the seal he knew what the letter would reveal. It mentioned no names, but between the lines he read the guilty name of a professional friend, Senor Raul de Lara. Filled with suspicion, as he had been, the definite revelation of the truth almost stunned him. He thought of that very morning when he had ridden forth with his lovely wife by his side in an equipage that was almost royal in its richness, envied by all who saw him, and richer than any of his acquaintances, but also more unhappy.

His first impulse was to rush up to the living rooms with the letter in one hand and a dagger in the other, to charge the Doña Isabel with her unfaithfulness, and, if she could not deny it, to stab her to the heart. But instead he decided upon the cold plan of establishing a watch that he might prove to himself the bitter truth. Accordingly, he went calmly up to his wife and told her that he had made an engagement with the government that would keep him away from home until late at night. Doña Isabel bade him an affectionate farewell and he departed. A few doors away he secreted himself in the gathering shadows. Night had just fallen, when a man, well wrapped in a long black cloak, which he held over his mouth, as was the custom at night time, and his sombrero shading securely the upper part of his face, passed him hurriedly and then stopped in front of Senor Fernandez's own door. There was no knock, but the Doña Isabel appeared on the upper balcony, greeted him and then the heavy street door opened silently a little way and the man in the long cloak entered. Senor Fernandez waited no longer. Hastening into his own house, he found his friend just clasping a beautiful and costly bracelet on the arm of the Doña Isabel. Another instant and a dagger had penetrated the black cloak and the blacker heart beneath it. The Doña Isabel turned to flee, but finding the doors barred she fell on her knees before her husband and begged her pardon, mercy and her life.

"Tis thus I pardon you," exclaimed the enraged husband, as he plunged the blood dripping dagger into her heart.

The following day the two bodies were found in the house, and the door, with the dagger stuck through it to hold it there, the bracelet as proof of the crime. Senor Alonso Fernandez de Bobadilla entered a monastery.—Modern Mexico.

ELIHU ROOT ON CITY LIFE.

It Sharpens Us, But We Must Keep Near the Soil.

Secretary of War Elihu Root, who has just returned from a visit to his birthplace, Clinton, in Oneida County, attended the annual dinner of the Society of the Sons of Oneida, at the Hotel Savoy. He said his visit had brought home to him the great trend of the population toward the big cities, and had started in him a vein of serious reflection on the consequences of this movement on the race and nation.

"There is a very serious side to this movement," he said. "With a population of 25,000,000 or more now living in the cities we are facing a new set of conditions in the formation of national character."

"Life in the city tends to greater alertness of mind, to a sharpening of the faculties and greater nervous energy, but at the same time to a strained intensity and refinement of the nervous system which will make a different race of us."

"If the strong, self-possessed, self-centred, dominant man is to continue his race he must continue it in contact with the soil. No race of the city bred can perpetuate these qualities, for the nerves and sinews are strengthened and the moral integrity enlarged and deepened by contact with the soil, by the soothing and calming influences of nature."

"We sons of Oneida do well to gather here to recall the memories of our old home, and the best thing about it is that it may lead some of us back to the old life."

"Think of the wretchedness of the children born and bred in the city's streets. If the emblem of this country could be changed I would not substitute for the eagle the wild turkey, as Ben Franklin proposed, but would suggest the homing pigeon as a better bird to venerate."—N. Y. Sun.

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